

CITY OF RHINELANDER

BUILDING PERMIT INFORMATION



Why is a Building Permit Required?

A permit allows the City's building inspector to inspect a project for compliance with State building, electrical, plumbing and HVAC codes for the homeowner's protection and safety. BEFORE you allow a contractor, private party to begin work, a permit MUST be obtained prior to work commencing. It is the responsibility of the owner to make sure that either the contractor or the owner has obtained the proper permits. Contractors include electricians, plumbers, HVAC, and framers. (Per Municipal codes 5.01 through and including 5.07; Title 5 – Land Development)

Permits are required for:

- New home construction
- New window or door installation
- Building additions
- Building Alterations/remodeling (including finishing basements)
- Razing a structure (includes removal of garages, sheds & main structures)
- Demolition (this includes gut or removal of part of a building (interior/exterior)
- Excavation
- Repairs, including fire and water damage
- New driveway or parking area (including expansion or replacement
- Sheds or accessory buildings, including garages, carports, etc. (no matter the size)
- New and replacement of decks, steps, stoops, etc.
- New or replacement of all heating and cooling projects, including gas or wooden inserts and ductwork.
- Plumbing work (except faucet replacement), this includes interior and exterior plumbing
- Fence (this includes install and repair that involves replacement)
- Signs including new; refacing and/or replacing
- Chickens and chicken coops
- Right-Of-Ways (ROW) – this includes digging, boring, trenching and any other use or need of the ROW
- Moving Buildings

How to Obtain a Permit

Printable applications are available on the City of Rhinelanders web page (www.rhinelandercityhall.org) or you can call the Inspection Department at 715-365-8606 and we can email you the necessary applications (inspection@rhinelandersfd.com or theresa@rhinelandersfd.com). You may also come into the Inspection office, we are located within the Rhinelanders Fire Department at 128 W. Frederick Street, Rhinelanders. Our guaranteed office hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00am until 2:00pm, other times by appointment.

On each permit application there is a checklist or guidelines that aides in obtaining all the information necessary for your project or permit application. You may call the Inspection Department with any questions you may have, we would be more than happy to help you in what we can.

Inspections:

BEFORE footings are poured;
BEFORE back-filling;
BEFORE covering or finishing work is done;
CALL for rough carpentry, plumbing, electric, heating and insulation INSPECTIONS.

FINAL inspection – A final inspection must be performed upon completion of the project and prior to occupying the space. This includes new and remodel of homes and/or businesses & industrial locations.

Other City Contact Information:

Rhinelanders City Hall – 715-365-8600 Ext. 0 for receptionist.

Public Works & Water Waste Water Department:

(forms available on web site for printing www.rhinelandercityhall.org)

- Director – Tim Kingman 715-362-4731
- Utility Billing – Beth Mannikko 715-365-8600 Ext. 1

City Clerk's Office:

- Clerk – Val Foley
- Deputy Clerk – Mary Stoll 715-365-8600 Ext. 2

Rhinelanders Police Department:

www.rhinelanderspd.com In case of an emergency, please dial 911.

- ❖ Chief Lloyd Gauthier (lgauthier@rhinelanderspd.com)
- ❖ Department Contact 715-365-5300