TOWN OF MONROE

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL
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TOWN OF MONROE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

GENERAL

REQUIREMENTS FOR BUILDING PERMIT

PLEASE CALL WITH ANY QUESTIONS : 203-452-2805

Building Permit – (Not the same procedure as for mechanical permit)
(This is only to increase understanding of the process)

To assist applicant in planning their project.
Review application for completeness and add any other forms applicable to the
work proposed. –

SOME Other Forms :

1.P&Z Compliance Certificate application ( see the Planning and Zoning site )
2 Smoke and carbon monoxide detector memorandum
3 Plot Plan ( may need three copies of site and septic plan OR one hand drawn
   plan on the supplied generic form )
4 Air make up calculation form
5 Drive way application
6 Fireplace form
7 Wood stove form
8 Fireplace chimney sweeps certificate
9 Statement of Special Inspection
10 Demolition forms ( see demo application )
11 Geotechnical report
12 Engineered floor joist system framing plans ( TJI )
13 Copies of licenses
14 Workers compensation insurance certificate or notarized letter
15 Historic Commission Certificate of Appropriateness
16 Notarized letter of approval from the Condo Association if applicable
17 State Boiler Certificate
18 State Approved Elevator Plans
19 State Elevator Certificate
20 State STC State Traffic Commission approvals of both proposed & completion
21 State DOT Department of Transportation approvals
22 Above and Below ground Sprinkler test Certificates
Signatures –

Signatures are by the owner and the applicant. The owner may be an applicant but is assuming more responsibility and are forfeiting their right to use the State’s Attorney and Consumer Protection if problems. May accept a notarized letter from owner or contractor authorizing another person to be their agent.

Supply owner & applicant’s numbers

PHONE, FAX, MOBILE, E-MAIL numbers and BUD number (call before you dig) needed on all applications when a shovel is placed

FILL IN ALL sections that apply – including name of store, size of space or addition and unit number if a commercial application.

DETAIL description top of page 2. Applicant estimates cost of work on page 3. Have the applicant address both sets of plans for the address where the work is to be performed.

SEND applicant to Tax Department, and Assessors Office for a copy of Assessors double sided field card which describes, lot, unit, suite number – Assessor’s ID number, zone
Then send applicant to Town Clerk, or Library to have workers comp form notarized.
May use any Notary of their choice. OR SUBMIT COPY OF WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE CERTIFICATE

Copy of applicants (if not owner) Home Improvement Registration OR New Home Contractor’s Registration. If application is for a new dwelling. OR a Major contractor’s registration if over the threshold limits.

Upon return of the applicant another Building Department review of the application is conducted. The building drawings are looked over for correct building code compliance.
Determine exact nature of work and the cost of the proposed work.
Stamp the application with the stamp for date received and stamp all pages of both full copies of drawings with the date stamp and the disclaimer stamp. Write in red on both sets of drawings all concerns and corrections needed. On large projects a Plan Review Letter is generated and can be up to twenty pages.

When review is completed the file information is typed into the computer as a new record and a cover scratch sheet is generated. List on the scratch sheet the cost of work, the fees, any large concerns or additional paper work and forms, when called with the fee amounts. Add the date when the applicant is called and told of the fee amounts and concerns.
When fee amounts are received (we also type on the computer record date fees are received) we give back one copy of the reviewed building plan. All checks shall be made out to the town of Monroe. Once fees are received the P&Z checks are attached to application. We then enter this application on the computer application FIND PERMITS to start a new tracking record listing address, work to be done and dates each department receives and returns the application.

**PERMITS, BUILDING RECEIPTS ARE NOT GIVEN FOR THE FEES PAID** for by checks. **BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATIONS (ONLY FOR THE CASH ONES) AT THE TIME OF RECEIVING - MUST WAIT UNTIL PERMISSION OF ALL DEPARTMENTS IS GIVEN. THEN RECEIPTS ARE GIVEN FOR THE FEES PAID.** Permits are recorded as a new record permit reason.

**When Historic Commission** is needed have the Commissioner sign all pages of three copies of the plans, one for the Commission, one for the owner and one for the Building Department.

**Call for Checks** - total the amount of checks needed. If Zoning is required to have a compliance the three checks are to be asked for made out to the Town of Monroe. While on the phone with the applicant tell them of all concerns and other items needed. Also take this time to answer any questions they may have and explain that the application must go through the process to seek approvals from the other permit departments after the checks for payment come in.

**When** - money comes in – we give back one plan, the building is NOT taken until Permit reviews and approval signatures are achieved. If there are zoning checks they are paper clipped to cover sheet, we go to FIND PERMITS on the computer and start a new tracking record listing address, lot number, work to be done and dates when each department receives and returns the application.

**Tracking** we use the Find Permits computer program and create a new record. Enter address, lot and reason for permit into tracking program by creating new tracking file put N/A into required sign off boxes, next to that N/A septic whatever the permits needs be enter date permit application is sent to P & Z take to P & Z place in the box. Update tracking record as permits, c/o's are received and sent on to other Dept. and then returned again.
FEES: Fees are based on the cost of work. The fee and cost of work schedules were developed by the Town Council 2/9/1988 and State of Connecticut. Commercial and new buildings’ fees as of 2/24/1994 are based on the Means Square Foot Cost Manual.

“BUILDING ” PERMIT FEES: HOW TO CALCULATE

1. NOTE COST OF JOB: E.G., $1300
2. $30 FOR THE FIRST $1000 = $30.00
3. $10 FOR EACH ADD $1000 OR FRACTION THEREOF = $10.00
4. SUBTOTAL = $40.00
5. PLUS STATE TAX @ .18c PER THOUSAND = .23
   TOTAL: = $40.23

When adding square footage of any kind the Certificate of Occupancy fee = $.25.00
When tenant fit up (change of occupancy) Certificate of Occupancy fee = $.25.00
When building a new structure the Certificate of Occupancy fee .20 cents per square foot. Up to a maximum of $2,000. All else that apply is $25.00

USE THE GREATER VALUE, EITHER THE APPLICANT’S COST OF WORK OR THE MINIMUM VALUES SQUARE FOOT NEW HOME, ADDITIONS,
   ATTIC AND FINISH BASEMENT
   DECK,
   GARAGES OR COVERED PORCHES
   FIREPLACES
   EACH, BAY WINDOW

ALL others (EXCEPT FOR COMMERCIAL, use the Means Square Foot Cost Manual) is the applicant’s cost of labor and materials (Cost of Work)

Planning And Zoning fees: .045 cents per increase or new square foot or $25.00 which ever is greater. (some items such as exterior repairs, gas logs, re roofing permits, siding permits are waived from zoning fees but not the review.)
$25.00 for any pool
.015 cents per square foot of undisturbed area of tenant fit up same as (change of occupancy)
$30.00 State Zoning Surcharge

The Permit reviewing departments may be - P&Z Inland Wetlands
Health District Fire Marshal
Tax Department Public Works
Historic Commission
(see demolition delay)
Architectural Review Board

The Permit reviewing departments are based on the proposed work. Any addition of square footage or a new structure P&Z Inland Wetlands
Health District Tax Department
May also need Fire Marshal, Public Works, Historic Commission
If a driveway to a new structure is also being planned or if there may be a large drainage issue add Public Works and if on a STATE ROAD ADD (DOT) Department of Transportation.

If a new Accessory Apartment, Any Condominium or Commercial – structure, Commercial alteration, Commercial remodeling, Commercial addition is being planned add Fire Marshal and the Condominium Board.

If proposed work is exterior and is in the Historic zone add Historic Commission.

If a new Commercial – structure, Commercial alteration, Commercial remodeling, Commercial addition is being planned add Architectural Review Board before any other.

**MECHANICAL PERMITS Are Not the same procedure as Building Permits**

**“MECHANICAL” PERMIT FEES: HOW TO CALCULATE**

ALL others (EXCEPT FOR COMMERCIAL, use the Means Square Foot Cost Manual.) All others use the applicant’s cost of labor and materials (Cost of Work).

RECEIPTS ARE GIVEN AT THIS POINT IN TIME (Mechanical permits maybe related or non-related).

NEED TANK INSTALLATION PERMIT FIRST BEFORE A REMOVAL IS ISSUED

MECHANICAL INCLUDE:

- ELECTRIC
- OIL / PROPANE TANK INSTALLS and REMOVALS
- PLUMBING
- GAS PIPING (GAS TEST LETTER NEEDED)
- HEATING
- AIR CONDITIONING
- COOK HOOD
- SPRINKLER
- ALARM
- LOW VOLTAGE
- ELEVATOR

NOTE COST OF JOB: E.G., $1300

$5 PER $100 UP TO $1000 = $50.00
$10 FOR EACH ADD $1000 OR FRACTION THEREOF = $10.00
SUBTOTAL = $60.00
PLUS STATE TAX @ .18c PER THOUSAND = .23
TOTAL: = $60.23
GENERAL INFORMATION:

CALL BEFORE YOU DIG 1-800-922-4455

A. 452-2805 MICHELLE (MAIN NUMBER)
B. 452-2805 JAMES
C. 452-2805 GUNNAR
D. 452-2818 HEALTH DEPT (TRUMBULL MONROE HEALTH DISTRICT) PHONE: 452-5195 @ 5892 MAIN ST. TRUMBULL
E. 452-2812 PLANNING AND ZONNING (P & Z)
F. 452-2816 ZONING ENFORCING OFFICER
G. 452-2814 PUBLIC WORKS
H. 452-2809 INLAND / WETLANDS
I. 452-2803 ASSESSOR’S OFFICE
J. 452-2807 FIRE MARSHAL
K. 452-2800 FRONT DESK
L. 261-6197 OUR FAX NUMBER

1 NON-RELATED APPLICATIONS -- FILED BY DATE.
   - APPLICATIONS THAT PERTAIN SOLELY TO WORK DESCRIBED ON
     THE APPLICATION AND IS NOT RELATED TO ANY OTHER WORK.

1 1 RELATED APPLICATIONS -- FILED BY PERMIT NUMBER.
   - APPLICATIONS PERTAIN SOLELY TO WORK DESCRIBED ON
     THE PAGE TWO UNDER DETAILS OF THE APPLICATION.
     APPLICATIONS SHOULD START AFTER INFORMATION IS
     GATHERED FROM MONROE AND THE APPLICANT CALLS FOR AN
     APPOINTMENT WITH THE HEALTH DEPT. (TRUMBULL MONROE
     HEALTH DISTRICT) PHONE: 452-5195 @ 5892 MAIN ST. TRUMBULL TO
     GET THEIR SIGNATURE OF APPROVAL. THE APPLICANT BRINGS BACK
     TO MONROE THE APPLICATION AND TWO CHECKS (IF APPICABLE)
     FOR PLANNING AND ZONING. THE APPLICATION IS TRACKED
     THROUGH ALL OF THE PERMIT REVIEW DEPARTMENTS. ONCE THE
     SIGNATURE OF APPROVAL IS ACHIEVED FROM ALL THE
     APPLICABLE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES THE BUILDING
     DEPARTMENT WILL CALL FOR THE THIRD CHECK. THIS CHECK IS
     FOR THE BUILDING PERMIT, CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY OR USE,
     STATE FEE, DRIVE WAY PERMIT AND DRIVE WAY BOND.

2 OIL TANK INSTALLS and REMOVALS (NON-RELATED PERMITS)
   COPIES OF THESE PERMITS ARE PLACED IN THE FIRE
   MARSHAL’S TRAY.
   NEED INSTALL PERMIT BEFORE ISSUING A REMOVAL PERMIT
3 “WAITING” and COMPLETED APPLICATIONS”

(1) WAITING: SEVERAL POSSIBILITIES
   a. FOR MONEY
   b. FOR SIGNATURES
   c. FOR LETTERS OF INTENT

(2) COMPLETED APPLICATIONS
   a. APPS ARE COMPLETE
   b. READY FOR COMPLETION OF FINAL STEPS LEADING TO
      ISSUANCE OF PERMIT(S)

4. OTHER OFFICE FEES
   A. COPIER -- 50 CENTS PER PAGE

5. STATE FEE - HOW TO CALCULATE
   A. DIVIDE COST OF PROJECT BY 1000, THEN MULTIPLY PRODUCT BY .16.
      EXAMPLE: FINISHED BASEMENT COSTING $5,000

      (1) 5,000 divided by 1,000 = 5.00
      (2) 5.00 x .18 = .90 cents State Fee

6. COMMON QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC AND BUILDERS
   A. SHED SETBACKS –HOW FAR FROM PROPERTY LINE, HOW FAR FROM
      SEPTIC?
   B. FENCES AROUND POOLS – HOW HIGH? -- SUGGEST THEY COME IN AND
      GET A HANDOUT ON THE SUBJECT (HANDOUTS ON WALL)
   C. FINISHED BASEMENTS –DO I NEED A PERMIT?
   D. COPY OF PLOT PLAN
   E. SEPTIC—WHERE ON MY PROPERTY

7. LEGAL NOTICES
   A. FILED IN CONN POST and MONROE COURIER
      (1) CONN POST CONTACT PERSON –
         a. PHONE #
         b. FAX #
      (2) COURIER CONTACT PERSON –
         a. PHONE #
         b. FAX #

8. INSPECTIONS
   A. SCHEDULING
      (1) SCHEDULE BOARD
      (2) GROUPING INSPECTIONS BY NEIGHBORHOOD
      (3) USE ALTERNATING INK COLORS FOR EASE OF UNDERSTANDING
      (4) NOTE: WHILE CUSTOMER IS ON PHONE, BRING UP HIS “FILE” ON THE
          COMPUTER OR RELATED REQUESTED INSPECTION ADDRESS TO SEE
          WHAT OTHER PERMITS AND/OR INSPECTIONS ARE MISSING AS WELL
          AS PREVIOUSLY FAILED ITEMS THAT NEED CORRECTION. ALWAYS
          ADD ANY NEW PHONE NUMBERS TO THE COMPUTER CONTACT FILE
(5) KEEP FEW AMOUNT OF LARGE INSPECTIONS LIMITED FOR EACH DAY
A LARGE INSPECTION IS A NEW HOME OR A COMMERCIAL
STRUCTURE FULL ROUGH OR FINIAL C/O. WE TRY TO GAT TO
TWENTY TWO INSPECTIONS TOTALING FOURTEEN LOCATIONS
PER DAY
(6) SEE THE INSPECTION CHECKLIST FOR HELPING YOU COMPLET
YOUR PROJECT

A LIST OF SOME PROJECTS NEEDING PERMITS

Residential (new)     Additions  Alterations  Garages  Condo Building ( units )
Business (new)       Additions  Alterations
Industrial (new)     Additions  Alterations
Public Buildings (new)  Additions  Alterations
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Public Buildings (new)  Additions  Alterations
Private Institutional (new)Additions  Alterations
Swimming Pool    Sheds  Signs
Demolitions      Re-Inspections  Misc.
Electrical        Plumbing  Heating
Tanks            Driveway  Street Opening
Driveway Bond

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