

Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services Division of Industry Services



Online Building Permit System Instructions

The Online Building Permit System was developed by the DPS to allow municipalities to gain compliance with [2015 Act 211](#). Not all municipalities utilize the Online Building Permit System. If you do not see your municipality on the next page, your municipality should be contacted directly on how to submit a building permit.

The owner, builder, or agents shall complete the application form and the Online Building Permit System will route it to your enforcing jurisdiction. Permit application data is used for statewide statistics on new one- and two-family dwellings, as well as for local code administration.

[APPLICANT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS](#)

Cautionary Statement to Owners Obtaining Building Permits

101.65(lr) of the Wisconsin Statutes requires municipalities that enforce the Uniform Dwelling Code to provide an owner who applies for a building permit with a statement advising the owner that:

If the owner hires a contractor to perform work under the building permit and the contractor is not bonded or insured as required under s. 101.654 (2) (a), the following consequences might occur:

(a) The owner may be held liable for any bodily injury to or death of others or for any damage to the property of others that arises out of the work performed under the building permit or that is caused by any negligence by the contractor that occurs in connection with the work performed under the building permit.

(b) The owner may not be able to collect from the contractor damages for any loss sustained by the owner because of a violation by the contractor of the one- and two- family dwelling code or an ordinance enacted under sub. (1) (a), because of any bodily injury to or death of others or damage to the property of others that arises out of the work performed under the building permit or because of any bodily injury to or death of others or damage to the property of others that is caused by any negligence by the contractor that occurs in connection with the work performed under the building permit.

Cautionary Statement to Contractors for Projects Involving Building Built Before 1978

If this project is in a dwelling or child-occupied facility, built before 1978, and disturbs 6 sq. ft. or more of paint per room, 20 sq. ft. or more of exterior paint, or involves windows, then the requirements of ch. DHS 163 requiring Lead-Safe Renovation Training and Certification apply. Call (608)261-6876 or go to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services' lead homepage for details of how to be in compliance.

Wetlands Notice to Permit Applicants

You are responsible for complying with state and federal laws concerning the construction near or on wetlands, lakes, and streams. Wetlands that are not associated with open water can be difficult to identify. Failure to comply may

result in removal or modification of construction that violates the law or other penalties or costs. For more information, visit the Department of Natural Resources wetlands identification web page or contact a Department of Natural Resources service center.

Contractor Credential Requirements

All contractors shall possess an appropriate contractor credential issued by the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services. Contractors are also required to only subcontract with contractors that hold the appropriate contractor credentials.

Additional Responsibilities for Owners of Projects Disturbing One or More Acre of Soil

I understand that this project is subject to ch. NR 151 regarding additional erosion control and stormwater management and will comply with those standards.

I acknowledge I have read and understood the contents of this page.*

[Click here to Start the Permit Request >>](#)
