



WALLA WALLA COUNTY

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INSPECTIONS REQUIRED

Burning construction debris is strictly prohibited.

It is the responsibility of the permittees to assure that the required inspections are made. Failure to notify this department that construction has progressed to the point where inspection is required may necessitate the removal of certain parts of the construction at the owner's expense. Failure to display the inspection record card and/or have the approved plans on site may cause a re-inspection fee and could delay approval of your project. The inspection record card must be visible from the street. Inspections requested that are 'not ready' also may cause a re-inspection fee charge.

At a minimum, the following inspections are required by County Code:

1. **FOOTING / FOUNDATION** – when forms are in place and prior to placement of concrete for footings. (Blocking for a manufactured home is required to be inspected prior to the installation of skirting.)
2. **PLUMBING** – after rough-in, before covering, and final.
3. **MECHANICAL** – rough-in of piping, before covering, metal chimneys before concealment and final.
4. **UNDER FLOOR / UNDER SLAB** – after all in slab or under floor accessories or equipment is in place, and before concrete or floor sheathing is in place.
5. **FRAMING** – after all framing, bracing and blocking are in place, prior to concealing, and after all plumbing, mechanical, etc., are installed. *(Must have L & I electrical approval before this inspection.)*
6. **INSULATION** – when insulation is in place with vapor barrier installed.
7. **SHEETROCK** – after all lathing and gypsum board is in place, but before plastering or joint taping.
8. **FINAL** – when complete and *prior* to occupancy and / or use.

In addition to the above inspections, any plumbing or mechanical systems or materials that would be concealed by framing, drywall, concrete, etc., must be inspected prior to being covered.

Pole buildings require the following inspections:

1. **HOLES** – before holes are filled to determine diameter, depth of holes and setbacks of the structure relative to property lines.
2. **FRAMING and FINAL** – required after entire structure is framed and siding/roofing materials applied and *prior* to use or occupancy of the building.

Manufactured homes require the following inspections:

1. **FOUNDATION** – when forms are installed, rebar placed, and prior to placement of concrete. The inspector will verify the method of tying down the home.
2. **TIE DOWN/BLOCKING** – after placement, completely set-up, and prior to the installation of skirting. The inspector will verify tie downs, 6 mil black Visqueen throughout crawl area, blocking crossover, duct work, plumbing, and electrical sign-off. The inspector will check that the tongue, all axles and wheels have been removed from beneath the home.
3. **FINAL** – after the home is 100% complete and *prior* to occupancy. The inspector will look at skirting, backfill, frost depth, venting, closure strips, crawl space access, and permanent steps and landings.

INSPECTION REQUESTS: 509-524-2632

Call before 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday for inspections on the following working day.

Building permits will be considered null and void by limitation if the work authorized by the permit is not commenced or is stopped for a period of 180 days, unless a written request for an extension of the permit is received and approved by the building official prior to expiration. At a minimum, an inspection should be requested at least once every 180 days to ensure the validity of the permit.