



Commencement of Construction Inspection Guide

A commencement inspection includes a discussion on the issued permit, approved documents and required inspection notices. The approved plans are reviewed paying special attention to the notes (red marks) that may have been added by the Plans Examiner. The construction milestones for the required inspections are outlined.

When must an inspection be requested

The commencement of construction inspection is requested prior to the start of construction. Please note the Building Services Department must be notified of any changes made to the project before or during construction.

What is involved during an inspection

A provincially qualified building inspector reviews the permit documents with the Owner and/or Contractor for compliances with the building by-laws and the Ontario Building Code. The following is a list of the major areas that are reviewed.

- Approved Plans
- Inspections Required

The inspection progress is documented on an Inspection Report issued by the building inspector immediately after the inspection.

How to prepare for the inspection

A review of the approved documentation prior to the inspector's arrival can help to ensure a smooth flow in the construction of your project. A checklist of the most common deficiencies found while performing commencement inspections follows.

How to request an inspection

Inspections are requested online through the Cloudpermit portal.

Looking ahead

The next inspection may be footings. The building permit provides the list of all inspections required for your project.

Commencement of Construction Checklist

This checklist identifies the most common deficiencies found while performing a commencement inspection. Use this checklist as a guide to reduce delays associated with deficiencies. Not all Building Code requirements are included in this checklist.

General

- Check that the approved construction plans are the plans that will be used to construct the project. The most recent version approved by the authorities with jurisdiction.
- Review all notes (red marks) added by the Plans Examiner to the approved plans.
- Review the list of required inspections found on page 3 of the issued permit.