

Building Permit Notes

Town of Middleton

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- 1) By law, all permit and inspection activities must be undertaken by a Certified Building Inspector. No other Town employee is authorized by law to undertake activities related to building permits or inspections.
- 2) The Town of Middleton has adopted the State of Wisconsin Uniform Dwelling Code.
- 3) The Building Inspector does not hold office hours at the Town Hall. Contact him directly via phone or email.
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- 4) The issuance of most building permits must be preceded by the issuance of a Dane County Zoning Permit. The Zoning Permit is issued by the Dane County Planning & Development Department located in Room 116 of the City/County Building, telephone number (608) 266-4266.
- 5) The Town of Middleton assesses double permit fees to any individual who proceeds without a proper Building Permit. **A Building Permit must be issued prior to any construction work, including ground disturbance activities.**
- 6) No building activity may occur until a driveway permit has been issued and the driveway installed, including culvert if required.
- 7) All building and landscaping activities must be confined to the lot or area for which the building permit has been issued. **No construction activity may occur on any adjoining property.**
- 8) The Town of Middleton Building Code includes erosion control measures. An **Erosion Fence** must be installed and inspected before a building permit will be issued for new homes and additions. The Town considers erosion control a very important component of appropriate construction activities. Contractors are reminded that a lack of appropriate erosion control measures is the basis for citations, fines and forfeitures or revocation of a Building Permit. Contractors are responsible for conducting a site inspection on at least a weekly basis and within 24 hours of any rainfall of ½ inch or more.
- 9) The construction of a new residential building is subject to the final inspection by the Building Inspector and the issuance of an Occupancy Permit. No one may occupy a new residential building or move personal belongings into a residential building without a properly issued Occupancy Permit or approval from the Building Inspector.
- 10) The Town of Middleton requires all contractors applying for a Building Permit to provide proof of registration with the Department of Safety and Professional Services.
- 11) The Town requires a copy of the homeowner's driver license as a part of the permit application to properly issue and file a building permit violation citation if needed.
- 12) The Town requires a minimum 4' high fence around all swimming pools or a mechanical cover that will support 250 pounds.
- 13) The issuance of any Building Permit for commercial purposes requires the approval of the Town Plan Commission and the Town Board. Applicants for a Commercial Building Permit should consider the timing of such approvals when contemplating construction.
- 14) Contractors must dispose of construction waste and materials properly. Construction waste may not be dumped in ditches or adjacent properties. Contractors are responsible for maintaining the construction site free from litter.
- 15) Any potential complaint or grievance regarding building permit or inspection activities in the Town of Middleton must be made in writing to the Town Administrator at the address listed above.