



Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services

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When Third Party Inspections Are Required?

Applications involves structural steel framing, partial underpinning, fire proofing, carbon fiber reinforcing strengthening of an existing and/or new constructions, soil compaction test, soil bearing capacity test for bearing capacity over a 2000 psf soil, iso-insulation (such as foam etc.), sprayed applied fire protection to include intumescent coatings, light gage steel framing utilized as bearing walls, EIFS, shall require third party inspections and certifications. In addition, the building official is authorized to make or require other inspections of any construction work to ascertain compliance with the provisions of Building Code and County laws enforced by the Department of Permitting Services.

Third Party Inspection shall require for sprayed foam insulation for walls and ceilings.

Inspection reports shall be signed and sealed by a designated engineer licensed in Maryland and shall be submitted to the County within ten (10) days from the date the inspection is conducted. The deficiency reports shall be submitted to the DPS within five (5) working days from the date that the construction phase is completed.

At the conclusion of each construction phase the inspection agency shall provide a final certification stating that the construction of that phase has been completed in accordance with the approved drawings, the job specifications and the Montgomery County Building Code. The certification shall have the seal and signature of an Engineer/ Architect duly registered in the State of Maryland.

Third Party Inspector Qualifications:

Prior to start of construction the approved agency shall provide written documentation to the County demonstrating the competence and relevant experience or training of the specific field who will perform the Third Party Inspections and Tests during construction.

Experience and training shall be considered relevant where the documented experience or training is related in complexity to the same type of activities for projects of similar types and material qualities.

What The Applicant Shall do After the Permit Issuance?

For every project whose elements are subject to Third Party Inspection, the owner or the owner's authorized agent must do the following:

1. Set-up a pre-construction meeting (Code 255) with DPS representatives to review the requirements of the Montgomery County Third Party Inspections Program. The meeting shall take place after issuance of permit prior to start of construction.
2. Review and comply with the requirements of the Montgomery County Third Party Inspections.
3. The owner or his/her designee to call 311 (240-777-0311 Outside Montgomery County) and request inspections as required, at the proper time in accordance with the sequence of the work. No work shall proceed beyond the point where an inspection is required.