



DPS

Montgomery County
Department of Permitting Services



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HOT WORK PERMIT APPLICATION

I. APPLICANT INFORMATION

For buildings under construction, applicant must be the site Fire Prevention Manager.

Name: _____ Cell: _____

Company Name: _____

Company Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Email: _____

II. TEMPORARY WORK - SITE INFORMATION

n/a – 12-month permit

Project Description: _____

Street Address: _____

Building Permit (A/P) #: _____

III. TYPE OF WORK

Cutting and Welding

Torch Applied Roofing

Open flame (torch) /Soldering

Other _____

IV. COUNTY-WIDE CONTRACTOR (12-month Permit)

n/a – single location

License Type:

Plumber or Gas Fitter

Mechanical

New Home Builders

Other _____

Montgomery County Contractor License # (required): _____

V. DOCUMENTATION CHECKLIST

Copy of license if applying for a 12-month contractor permit

Hot works schedule (proposed date range) for temporary permit

Affidavit signed by permit holder

Copy of fire protection plan for buildings under construction (in accordance with NFPA 241)

Fire Prevention Program Manager is applicant for buildings under construction (in accordance with NFPA 241)

VI. AFFIDAVIT

(A) GENERAL PERMIT INFORMATION

1. The National Fire Protection Association *Standard for Fire Prevention During Welding, Cutting, and Other Hot Work* (NFPA 51B) 2014 Edition is adopted by Montgomery County.
2. A General Permit is required from the DPS to conduct any of the activities covered by NFPA 51B, and any hot work associated with NFPA 241.
3. Permits to conduct hot work on site are required to be presented upon request.

(B) GENERAL HOT WORK INFORMATION

1. All equipment must be examined by the qualified operator to ensure it is in safe operating condition.
2. When found to be incapable of reliable safe operation, the equipment must be repaired by qualified personnel prior to its next use or be withdrawn from service and tagged out of service.
3. Individuals involved in hot work operations must be trained in the safe operation of their equipment, have an awareness of the inherent risks involved in hot work operations, and understand the emergency procedures in the event of fire.
4. Operators must be aware of site-specific flammable materials, hazardous processes or conditions, or other potential fire hazards.

(C) HOT WORK AREAS

1. Hot work can only be conducted in areas that are or have been made fire safe.
2. Fire extinguishers must be readily available, in the immediate vicinity, and in working condition.
3. If indoors, ventilation must be working properly.
4. If the area is a permanently designated work site such as a mechanical shop or garage, the area must have conspicuous signs that say, "WARNING: ENTERING HOT WORK AREA".
5. Hot work is not permitted in a sprinkled building if the sprinkler system is impaired.
6. Hot work is not permitted in the presence of explosive atmospheres, or in areas with an accumulation of combustibles.

(D) FIRE WATCH

1. The duration of the fire watch may be extended as required by the Director.
2. Unless the hot work equipment operator is working alone and not under the authority or control of another, the operator cannot be the fire watch attendant.
3. The fire watch attendant is to begin their duties when the operator starts working. The purpose of the fire watch attendant is to detect and extinguish fires, then implement the emergency action plan if needed.
4. Combustible materials must be kept at least 35 feet away from hot work during operations and for at least 30 minutes after the completion of work.
5. The fire watch attendant must monitor wall, floor, and ceiling openings for smoldering fires started by sparks or embers.
6. The fire watch attendant must be trained in the use of a fire extinguisher.

I certify, under penalty of perjury, that all matters and facts set forth in this application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief and that I have the authority to make this application on behalf of the company, business, or organization referenced within. I further certify that I have a clear understanding of, and will adhere to, all instructions and requirements set forth in this document.

Signature of Applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

Printed Name: _____ **Title:** _____