



Demolition in Your Residential Neighborhood

Information and Resources for Neighbors and Contractors

ASBESTOS REMOVAL – Asbestos should be removed BEFORE the building is demolished. For more information contact the Maryland State Department of Environmental Protection at 1-800-633-6101.

AIR, DUST AND ODOR COMPLAINTS related to demolition should be directed to the Department of Environmental Protection at 311 inside Montgomery County or 240-777-0311 outside of Montgomery County.

CONSTRUCTION NOISE – The Noise Control Ordinance allows construction work to begin as early as 7 a.m. on weekdays and 9 a.m. on weekends. You may contact DEP by phone at 311 in Montgomery County or 240-777-0311 outside of Montgomery County.

DAMAGE TO NEIGHBORING PROPERTIES – by demolition contractors is a civil matter to be resolved by the affected parties.

DEMOLITION PERMITS are required whenever you 1) move a building, intact, from or within a site: or 2) you tear down or destroy an entire building or structure, or all of a building or structure except a single wall or facade. Demolition permit application and issuance requirements can be found on the Department of Permitting Services website or by calling 311 in Montgomery County or 240-777-0311 outside of Montgomery County.

DEMOLITION WITHOUT A PERMIT – should be reported to the Department of Permitting Services at 311 in Montgomery County or 240-777-0311 outside of Montgomery County.

HISTORIC HOMES AND SITES – If a building or site has been designated historic or is on the historic atlas for Montgomery County, approval for the demolition must be given by the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission 301-563-3400.

NEIGHBORS AND CONTRACTORS are encouraged to talk to each other prior to a home being demolished. When both parties know the date, duration and extent of the demolition each can prepare for this activity. This information will be provided to adjacent and confronting neighbors of the demolition along with the name and telephone number of the applicant for the demolition permit.

PORTABLE TOILETS – are required for workers by the Maryland Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Call 410-767-2189 for more information.

SEDIMENT/MUD should not leave the site due to demolition. Contractors are responsible for maintaining sediment onsite. A sediment control permit may be required from the Department of Permitting Services. Call 311 in Montgomery County or 240-777-0311 outside of Montgomery County for more information.

WASTE CONTAINERS IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY requires a permit from the Department of Permitting Services to block the right-of-way. Call 311 in Montgomery County or 240-777-0311 outside of Montgomery County.