

City of Independence
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Re-siding

For single family residential structures

Requirements for general permit application

The following are items you should be aware of regarding your re-siding project and the Building Code.

1. Inspection: One inspection is required at approximately the half-way point of the siding job. Additional inspections may be required by the Building Inspector.
2. Code Requirement: Flashing must be installed over all exterior openings, continuously above all projecting wood trim and at roof intersection.
3. Code Requirement: Nails and fasteners must be spaced according to the manufacturer's specs and the Building Code. If unsure about the spacing of fasteners or nails, please call the Building Inspector.
4. Code Requirement: All sharp or jagged edges must be left smooth so as not to cause injury.
5. Code Requirement: All backing material must be approved for such use. If you have questions regarding backing material or application thereof please call the Building Inspector.
6. Code Requirement: All siding material must be of weather resistant material and installed in accordance with manufacture's specs and the Building Code.
7. Code Requirement: Approved weather resistive sheathing paper (house wrap) shall be installed underneath the siding.
8. Code Requirement: All house numbers must be installed after the siding job is completed. Numbers shall be plainly visible and legible from the street or road fronting the property, minimum four (4) inches high.

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9. All electrical lights or outlets removed must be done by a qualified electrical contractor.

The State of Minnesota requires that all residential building contractors, remodelers and roofers obtain a state license unless they qualify for a specific exemption from the licensing requirements. Any person claiming an exemption must provide a copy of a Certificate of Exemption from the Department of Commerce to the City before a permit can be issued.

To determine whether a particular contractor is required to be licensed or to check on the licensing status of individual contractors, please call the Minnesota Department of Commerce at 651-296-2594 or toll free at 1-800-657-3602.

If you have any questions, please call Building Inspector at 763-479-0531 or 763-479-0527. Monday through Thursday 8:00-4:30 or Friday 8:00-12:00.