

BUNCOMBE COUNTY PERMITS & INSPECTIONS REQUESTS FOR INSPECTIONS

During the progress of the work and at its conclusion, the Inspections Department will make inspections as prescribed by Section 107 of the N.C. Administrative Code & Policies. All permit holders or their agents, shall notify the Inspections Department when the work is ready for the different stages of inspection.

Posting of Permit – Work requiring a permit shall not begin until the permit card is posted in a conspicuous location on the premises.

Approved Plans and specification details must be on the job site at all times. Failure to do so will result in no inspection and a re-inspection fee will be assessed.

Footing Inspection – Footing inspections shall be made after the trenches are excavated, all grade stakes are installed, all reinforcing steel and supports are in place and tied, and all necessary forms are in place and braced before any concrete is placed..

Under-slab Inspection – Under-slab inspections, as appropriate, shall be made after all materials and equipment to be concealed by the concrete slab are completed..

Steel-in-Wall Inspection – To be made when all steel reinforcing is installed in the foundation wall before the concrete is placed.

Foundation Inspection – Foundation and crawl space inspections shall be made after all foundation supports are installed.

Rough-In Inspection – Rough-in inspections shall be made when all building framing and parts of the electrical, plumbing, fire protection, or heating-ventilation or cooling systems that will be hidden from view in the finished building have been placed, but before any wall, ceiling finish, or building insulation is installed. **Note:** Nailing pattern inspection for sheathing is required on houses built in designated high wind zones.

Building Framing – Framing inspections shall be made after the roof (excluding permanent roof coverings), wall ceiling, and floor framing is complete with appropriate blocking, bracing, and firestopping in place. The following items shall be in place and visible for inspection:

1. Pipes;
2. Chimneys and vents;
3. Flashing for roofs and chimneys;
4. Insulation baffles; and
5. All lintels that are required to be bolted to the framing for support shall not be covered by any exterior or interior wall of ceiling finish material before approval. Work may continue without approval for lintels supported on masonry or concrete.

Insulation Inspection – Insulation inspections shall be made after an approved building framing and rough-in inspection and after the permanent roof covering is installed, with all insulation and vapor retarders in place, but before any wall or ceiling covering is applied.

Fire Protection – Fire protection inspections shall be made in all buildings where any material is used for fire protection purposes. The permit holder or his agent shall notify the inspection department after all fire protection materials are in place. Fire protection materials shall not be concealed until inspected and approved by the code enforcement official.

Final Inspection – Final inspections shall be made for each trade after completion of the work authorized under the technical codes.

NO WORK SHALL BE INSPECTED UNTIL IT IS IN PROPER AND COMPLETED CONDITION READY FOR INSPECTION. ALL WORK WHICH HAS BEEN COVERED BEFORE BEING INSPECTED AND APPROVED SHALL BE UNCOVERED AT THE REQUEST OF THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL AND PLACED IN CONDITION FOR A PROPER INSPECTION. RE-INSPECTION FEES WILL BE ASSESSED WHEN INCOMPLETE WORK IS SCHEDULED FOR INSPECTION OR WHEN JOBSITE IS INACCESSIBLE.

INSPECTION REQUESTS MUST BE SCHEDULED ONLINE THRU OUR PORTAL AT THE FOLLOWING LINK

<https://onlinepermits.buncombecounty.org/CitizenAccess/online-inspection-request.pdf>

FOR FIRE MARSHAL INSPECTIONS PLEASE CALL 828-250-6620

NO POWER WILL BE AUTHORIZED FOR THE HOME UNTIL ALL WORK AUTHORIZED UNDER THE PERMIT HAS HAD AN APPROVED FINAL INSPECTION.

(DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS CUSTOMERS MUST HAVE A PREMISE ID # BEFORE POWER IS RELEASED). DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS 1-800-452-2777
ALSO MAKE SURE THAT APPLICATION FOR POWER HAS BEEN MADE WITH YOUR POWER COMPANY AHEAD OF TIME.