



Permitting and Inspections Department
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Commercial Interior Alteration Checklist

(Including change of use, tenant fit-up*, amendment and/or interior demolition)

All applications shall include the following (please check and submit all items):

Commercial Interior Alterations Checklist (this form)

General Building Permit Application completed

Plot plan/site plan showing lot lines, shape and location of all structures, off-street parking areas and noting any dedicated parking for the proposed business

Proof of Ownership or Tenancy (If tenant, provide lease or letter of permission from landlord. If owner, provide deed or purchase and sale agreement if the property was purchased within the last 6 months.)

Key plan showing the location of the area(s) of renovation within the total building footprint and adjacent tenant uses

Life Safety Plan showing egress capacity, any egress windows, occupancy load, travel distances, common path distance, dead end corridor length, separation of exits, illumination and marking of exits, portables fire extinguishers, fire separations and any fire alarm or fire sprinklers systems

Existing floor plans/layouts including area layout, removals, exits and stairs

Proposed floor plans/layouts including dimensions, individual room uses and plumbing fixtures

Please note: Construction documents for projects with a construction cost in excess of \$50,000 must be prepared by a design professional and bear their seal.

Additional plans may also require the following (As each project has varying degrees of complexity and scope of work for repairs, alterations and renovations, some information may not be applicable. Please check and submit only those items that are applicable to the proposed project.):

Code information including use classifications, occupant loads, construction type, existing/proposed fire alarm, smoke and sprinkler protection systems, egress (exits and windows), fire separation areas and fire stopping

Demolition plans and details for each story including removal of walls and materials

Construction and framing details including structural load design criteria and/or non-structural details

New stairs showing the direction of travel, tread and rise dimensions, handrails and guardrails

Wall and floor/ceiling partition types including listed fire rated assemblies

Sections and details showing all construction materials, floor to ceiling heights, and stair headroom

New door and window schedules (include window U-factors)

Accessibility features and design details including the Certificate of Accessible Building Compliance

Project specifications manual

A copy of the State Fire Marshal construction and barrier free permits. For these requirements visit:

http://www.maine.gov/dps/fmo/plans/about_permits.html

Food service occupancies require additional plans and details for review, such as occupant load per square foot area for tables and chairs, number of fixed bar, banquet and booth seating, equipment and plumbing fixture plans with schedule, hood location and interior finish materials. Accessible seating and counter details shall be included, please refer to this site: http://www.alphaonenow.org/userfiles/resto_access_sheet.pdf

Separate permits are required for internal and external plumbing, electrical installations, heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) systems, appliances and commercial kitchen hoods.

*Tenant fit-up: construction necessary within the demising walls of a leased space, including partitions, finishes, fixtures, lighting, power, equipment, etc. making the interior space suitable for the intended occupation.



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Certificate of Accessible Building Compliance

All facilities for the use of a public entity shall be readily accessible by individuals with disabilities.

Project Name: _____ Project Address: _____

Classification: Title II (State/Local Government) Title III (Public Accommodation/Commercial Facility)

New Building

- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Maine Human Rights Act (MHRA)
 - Barrier Free Certification (\$75,000+ scope of work)
 - State Fire Marshal Plan Review Approval

Alteration/Addition

- Existing Building Completion date:
 - Original Building: _____
 - Addition(s)/Alteration(s): _____
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
 - Path of Travel Yes No
- Maine Human Rights Act (MHRA)
 - Exceeds 75% of existing building replacement cost
 - Barrier Free Certification (\$75,000+ scope of work)
 - State Fire Marshal Plan Review Approval

Occupancy Change/Existing Facility

New Ownership – Readily Achievable Barrier Removal: _____

Residential

- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Fair Housing Act (4+ units, first occupancy)
- Maine Human Rights Act (MHRA)
 - Covered Multifamily Dwelling (4+ units)
 - Public Housing (20+ units)
- Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS)
- None, explain: _____

Contact Information:

Design Professional: _____
(Handwritten signature)

Signature
(This is a legal document and your electronic signature is considered a legal signature per Maine state law.)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Maine Registration #: _____

Owner: _____
(Handwritten signature)

Signature
(This is a legal document and your electronic signature is considered a legal signature per Maine state law.)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____



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Requirements for Electronic Submissions

In order to ensure the most expedient review of your application, please meet the requirements below for all electronic submissions:

- **Drawings sheets shall be submitted individually-- each PDF file shall contain no more than one drawing sheet.** Only PDF files are acceptable for plan review, and each file shall not exceed 5MB in size.*
- **Drawing files shall be named based on the drawing sheet number and name.** It is recommended to include a Category/Discipline letter (such as A for Architectural), a sheet number and a descriptive title (e.g., A1 Existing Exterior Elevation).
- **Revised file submissions must use the exact same file name as originally submitted.** The Electronic Plan Review software will recognize this submission as Version 2.
- **Supporting documents shall be submitted as an individual PDF file for each document (these documents may be multi-page PDF files) and named based on the document type** (e.g., "Deed", "Stormwater Report", "Permit Application", etc.). Searchable PDF files are requested for calculations, reports and other supporting documents.
- **A graphic scale or a scale to reference shall be included on each drawing sheet.**
- **Plans prepared by a design professional shall include a Code Analysis sheet**, referencing the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code and Portland City Code, Chapter 10 – Fire Prevention and Protection, which includes National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1, Fire Code and NFPA 101, Life Safety Code. Chapter 10 of the City Code can be viewed at: <http://www.portlandmaine.gov/citycode/chapter010.pdf>.
- **Files shall be submitted via email to permitting@portlandmaine.gov.** The email subject line shall include the project address and type of permit. Multiple emails may be sent for one project if the files exceed the maximum file size.
- **Submissions should include all required documents and drawings as listed on the appropriate Submission Checklist sheet specific to the type of work being performed.**

For further information and to access PDF versions of this and other forms, visit the Permitting and Inspections Department online at <http://portlandmaine.gov/1728/Permitting-Inspections>.

*To download a free version of Adobe Acrobat Reader, please visit: <https://get.adobe.com/reader/>

