



Department of Permitting and Inspections

New Commercial Structure Permit Application & Checklist

All of the following information is required and must be submitted. Checking off each item as you prepare your application package will ensure your package is complete and will help to expedite the permitting process.

One (1) complete Set of construction drawings must include:

Note: Construction documents for costs in excess of \$50,000.00 must be prepared by a Design Professional and bear their seal.

Cross sections w/framing details

Detail of any new walls or permanent partitions

Floor plans and elevations

Window and door schedules

Foundation plans with rebar specifications and required drainage and damp proofing (if applicable)

Detail egress requirements and fire separations

Insulation R-factors of walls, ceilings, floors and U-factors of windows as per the IECC 2009

Complete the Accessibility Certificate and The Certificate of Design

A statement of special inspections as required per the IBC 2009

Complete electrical and plumbing layout.

Mechanical drawings for any specialized equipment such as furnaces, chimneys, gas equipment,

HVAC equipment (air handling) or other types of work that may require special review.

Reduced plans or electronic files in PDF format are required if originals are larger than 11" x 17".

Per State Fire Marshall, all new bathrooms must be ADA compliant.

Separate permits are required for internal & external plumbing, HVAC and electrical installations.

Nine (9) copies of the minor (< 10,000 sf) or major (> 10,000 sf) site plan application is required that includes:

A stamped boundary survey to scale showing north arrow, zoning district and setbacks to a scale of $\geq 1'' = 20'$ on paper $\geq 11'' \times 17''$

The shape and dimension of the lot, footprint of the proposed structure and the distance from the actual property lines. Photocopies of the plat or hand draw footprints not to scale will not be accepted.

Location and dimensions of parking areas and driveways, street spaces and building frontage

Finish floor or sill elevation (based on mean sea level datum)

Location and size of both existing utilities in the street and the proposed utilities serving the building

Existing and proposed grade contours

Silt fence (erosion control) locations



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Fire Department requirements.

The following shall be submitted on a separate sheet:

Name, address and phone number of applicant **and** the project architect.

Proposed use of structure (NFPA and IBC classification)

Square footage of proposed structure (total and per story)

Existing and proposed fire protection of structure.

Separate plans shall be submitted for

- a) Suppression system
- b) Detection System (separate permit is required)

A separate Life Safety Plan must include:

- a) Fire resistance ratings of all means of egress
- b) Travel distance from most remote point to exit discharge c)

Location of any required fire extinguishers

d) Location of emergency lighting e)

Location of exit signs

f) NFPA 101 code summary

Elevators shall be sized to fit an 80" x 24" stretcher.

For questions on Fire Department requirements call the Fire Prevention Officer at (207) 874-8405.

Please submit all of the information outlined in this application checklist. If the application is incomplete, the application may be refused.

In order to be sure the City fully understands the full scope of the project, the Planning and Development Department may request additional information prior to the issuance of a permit. For further information or to download copies of this form and other applications visit the Inspections Division on-line at www.portlandmaine.gov, or stop by the Inspections Division office, room 315 City Hall or call 874-8703.

Permit Fee: \$30.00 for the first \$1000.00 construction cost, \$15.00 per additional \$1000.00 cost

This is not a Permit; you may not commence any work until the Permit is issued.



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Electronic Signature and Fee Payment Confirmation

Notice: Your electronic signature is considered a legal signature per state law.

By digitally signing the attached document(s), you are signifying your understanding that this is a legal document and your electronic signature is considered a **legal signature** per Maine state law. You are also signifying your intent on paying your fees by the selections below.

1. Once the complete application package has been received by us, and entered into the system
2. You will receive an e-mailed invoice from our office which signifies that your electronic permit application and corresponding paperwork have been entered, ready for payment, to begin the process.
3. You then have the following four (4) payment options:

provide an on-line electronic check or credit/debit card (we accept American Express, Discover, VISA, and MasterCard) payment


call the Inspections Office at (207) 874-8703 and speak to an administrative representative to provide a credit/debit card payment over the phone

hand-deliver a payment method to the Inspections Office, Room 315, Portland City Hall

deliver a payment method through the U.S. Postal Service, at the following address:

**City of Portland
Department of Permitting and Inspections
389 Congress Street, Room 315
Portland, Maine 04101**

By signing below, I understand the review process starts only once my payment has been received. After all approvals have been met and completed, I will then be issued my permit and it will be sent via e-mail. ***No work shall be started until I have received my permit.***

Applicant Signature: _____  _____ Date: _____

I have provided digital copies and sent them on: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: All electronic paperwork must be delivered to buildinginspections@portlandmaine.gov or by physical means ie; a thumb drive or CD to the office.



General Building Permit Application


If you or the property owner owes real estate or personal property taxes or user charges on any property within the City, payment arrangements must be made before permits of any kind are accepted.

Address/Location of Construction:		
Total Square Footage of Proposed Structure:		
Tax Assessor's Chart, Block & Lot Chart# Block# Lot#	Applicant Name: Address City, State & Zip	Telephone: Email:
Lessee/Owner Name: (if different than applicant) Address: City, State & Zip: Telephone E-mail:	Contractor Name: (if different from Applicant) Address: City, State & Zip: Telephone E-mail:	Cost of Work: \$ _____ C of O Fee: \$ _____ Historic Rev \$ _____ Total Fees: \$ _____
Current Use (i.e. single family) _____		
If vacant, what was the previous use? _____		
Proposed Specific use: _____		
Is property part of a subdivision? If yes, please Name _____		
Project description:		
Who should we contact when the permit is ready:		
Address:		
City, State & Zip:		
E-mail Address:		
Telephone:		

Please submit all of the information outlined on the applicable checklist. Failure to do so causes an automatic permit denial.

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I hereby certify that I am the Owner of record of the named property, or that the owner of record authorizes the proposed work and that I have been authorized by the owner to make this application as his/her authorized agent. I agree to conform to all applicable laws of this jurisdiction. In addition, if a permit for work described in this application is issued, I certify that the Code Official's authorized representative shall have the authority to enter all areas covered by this permit at any reasonable hour to enforce the provisions of the codes applicable to this permit.

Signature: 	Date:
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This is not a permit; you may not commence ANY work until the permit is issued.



Certificate of Design Application

From Designer: _____

Date: _____

Job Name: _____

Address of Construction: _____

2009 International Building Code

Construction project was designed to the building code criteria listed below:

Building Code & Year _____ Use Group Classification (s) _____

Type of Construction _____

Will the Structure have a Fire suppression system in Accordance with Section 903.3.1 of the 2009 IBC _____

Is the Structure mixed use? _____ If yes, separated or non separated or non separated (section 302.3) _____

Supervisory alarm System? _____ Geotechnical/Soils report required? (See Section 1802.2) _____

Structural Design Calculations

_____ Submitted for all structural members (106.1 – 106.11)

Design Loads on Construction Documents (1603)

Uniformly distributed floor live loads (7603.11, 1807)

Floor Area Use	Loads Shown
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Wind loads (1603.1.4, 1609)

- _____ Design option utilized (1609.1.1, 1609.6)
- _____ Basic wind speed (1809.3)
- _____ Building category and wind importance Factor, w , table 1604.5, 1609.5
- _____ Wind exposure category (1609.4)
- _____ Internal pressure coefficient (ASCE 7)
- _____ Component and cladding pressures (1609.1.1, 1609.6.2.2)
- _____ Main force wind pressures (7603.1.1, 1609.6.2.1)

Earth design data (1603.1.5, 1614-1623)

- _____ Design option utilized (1614.1)
- _____ Seismic use group ("Category")
- _____ Spectral response coefficients, S_D s & S_{DI} (1615.1)
- _____ Site class (1615.1.5)

- _____ Live load reduction
- _____ Roof *live* loads (1603.1.2, 1607.11)
- _____ Roof snow loads (1603.7.3, 1608)
- _____ Ground snow load, P_g (1608.2)
- _____ If $P_g > 10$ psf, flat-roof snow load P_f
- _____ If $P_g > 10$ psf, snow exposure factor, C_e
- _____ If $P_g > 10$ psf, snow load importance factor, I_s
- _____ Roof thermal factor, C_t (1608.4)
- _____ Sloped roof snowload, P_s (1608.4)
- _____ Seismic design category (1616.3)
- _____ Basic seismic force resisting system (1617.6.2)
- _____ Response modification coefficient, R_f and deflection amplification factor C_{dI} (1617.6.2)
- _____ Analysis procedure (1616.6, 1617.5)
- _____ Design base shear (1617.4, 16175.5.1)

Flood loads (1803.1.6, 1612)

- _____ Flood Hazard area (1612.3)
- _____ Elevation of structure

Other loads

- _____ Concentrated loads (1607.4)
- _____ Partition loads (1607.5)
- _____ Misc. loads (Table 1607.8, 1607.6.1, 1607.7, 1607.12, 1607.13, 1610, 1611, 2404)



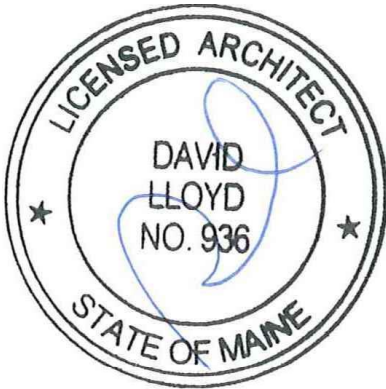
Accessibility Building Code Certificate

Designer: _____

Address of Project: _____

Nature of Project: _____

The technical submissions covering the proposed construction work as described above have been designed in compliance with applicable referenced standards found in the Maine Human Rights Law and Federal Americans with Disability Act. Residential Buildings with 4 units or more must conform to the Federal Fair Housing Accessibility Standards. Please provide proof of compliance if applicable.



Signature: _____ 

Title: _____

Firm: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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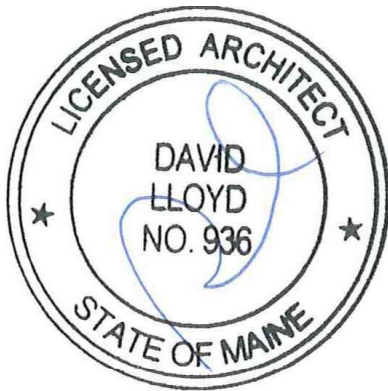
Certificate of Design

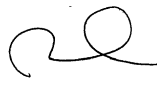
Date: _____

From: _____

These plans and / or specifications covering construction work on:

Have been designed and drawn up by the undersigned, a Maine registered Architect / Engineer according to the **2009 International Building Code** and local amendments.



Signature: _____ 

Title: _____

Firm: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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