



MECKLENBURG COUNTY Code Enforcement

NOTICE

Residential and Commercial Building Contractors Workers' Compensation Changes

Effective Date January 2nd, 2014

In moving towards a self-facilitated online permitting system; we have developed a new online technology enhancement to help Contractors keep the most accurate Workers' Compensation information on file. The new system is now available to you so we encourage you to update you current account. We have listed a few general questions to help you in this process.

When is Workers' Compensation Insurance required?

When a building permit is over \$30,000 construction cost or more, the applicant, duly licensed under the terms of Chapter 87-14, must furnish evidence that Workers' Compensation Insurance is in effect as required by Chapter 97 of the North Carolina General Statutes.

Are there exceptions when I would not be required to have Workers' Compensation Insurance?

The only exception is when the General Contractor is an employer of less than three (3) employees regularly in service in the same business within North Carolina.

How do I update my account to reflect that I have current Workers' Compensation Insurance?

On the General Contractor's webpage Meckpermit.com, located after the secured sign-in, is a Workers' Compensation Insurance Verification form that must be completed by the North Carolina licensed General Contractor performing the work. This form will be utilized by Mecklenburg County Code Enforcement to ascertain that the applicant is entitled for the issuance of a building permit. No building permit will be issued under the terms of Chapter 87-14 until the General Contractor completes and saves the Workers' Compensation Insurance Verification form within the Meckpermit.com system, or until the insurance company provides a copy to Mecklenburg County Code Enforcement of the Certificate of Liability Insurance form listing the Workers' Compensation policy information.

How do I handle Building Permits that are being submitted online?

Building Permits submitted online that lack the General Contractor's Workers' Compensation information will be deferred, with a message returned to the submitter "Workers' Compensation info needed from GC." The building application will remain in deferred status until the Workers' Compensation information is updated by one of the two methods listed above.

Who can I contact if I have questions about requirements or how to update my account?

You can contact Code Enforcement's Documents & Inspections at 704-336-3830 for additional information about this process and its requirements.

