

Clinton County Building & Zoning

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Commercial Permits—Commonly Asked Questions

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What application should I use?

Our office has two applications. One application for all residential permits. One application or all commercial permits.

What type of work needs a permit?

Permits are required for all new Single or Multi-Family Structures, Additions, Remodels, Fire Damage, Decks, Detached Structures, Accessory Structures, Electrical Installations, Swimming Pools, Fireplace, Wood/Burning Stoves, **Any Structural Changes**,

Change of Use, Any Commercial Construction or Use.

Do all building permits require a zoning permit?

A \$60 Zoning permit is required for all applications with the following exceptions: Electrical, HVAC, Renovation (where existing footprint of structure is not increased), Agricultural Use Exemption, Unzoned Townships.

What do I need for Commercial Drawings?

You will need (3) sets of drawings consisting of a wall section, floor plan elevations, energy calculations, site plan, electrical/HVAC, plumbing, fire suppression/alarm, ADA requirements.

How long does it take to obtain a permit?

Plans are reviewed in order that they are received. Commercial Plan Review takes approximately 14 business days depending on its complexity.

Do I need drawings for a Sprinkler system, Fire Alarms, Hoods?

Yes

Do I need a permit for a Construction Trailer?

Yes.

Do I need a permit for a Sign?

Yes, Sign Permits are a separate application and review.

Do I need to be registered as a General Contractor?

No