

# **Town of Scarborough**

## **Plumbing Permit Inspection Procedures**

### **Please call 730-4040 to schedule your inspection**

**Any “installation or replacement of (all) water distribution and drainage pipes, hot water storage tanks, and hot water heaters, the installation of all new faucets, valves and plumbing backflow preventers” shall not be started until the plumbing inspector has issued a permit for the work. Title 30-A M.R.S.A. § 4211 and Chapter 1, Section 4 of the Maine State Internal Plumbing Code.**

To apply for a permit, the Plumber must complete a plumbing application provided by the State of Maine from the Town of Scarborough. The applicant shall complete and sign the application. A Code Enforcement Officer will review the application and, finding the application to be complete and adequate, the plumbing fee will be collected and the permit issued. A permit will only be issued to master plumbers (documentation of license may be required). The only exception to this is for those who meet the criteria of Chapter 1, Section 7 of the Code.

It is the responsibility of the person obtaining the permit to schedule the inspections at least 24 hours in advance with the Code Enforcement office. There are at least two inspections required of all installations. There will be more inspections if there is under slab work or the project is done in sections.

- All drainage, venting, and supply piping installed must be checked and tested prior to being covered with insulation, wallboard, concrete or any other material.
- The Plumbing Inspector will make inspections for compliance.
- A permit is required for all pipes, valves, and fixtures installed on site in Scarborough in manufactured housing projects that onsite installation shall be tested and inspected according to the Code.
- Projects anticipating combination waste and vent systems, vertical wet venting, or island fixtures shall be required to submit plans and specs with the permit application. The LPI (Licensed Plumbing Inspector) will determine that the standards of sections 908 through 910.7, Appendix B, and Appendix L are met before the permit is issued.
- Each plumbing fixture trap shall be vented as required by Chapter 9 of the Code. Drum traps are not allowed in new installations.
- Pressure test shall be done as prescribed by the Code; see sections 609.4 and 712.1,2,3 and air tests shall be recorded upon the prescribed gauges: see sections 319.1,2,3,4.
- Pipe passing through walls and other materials shall be protected; see section 313 specifically 313.10.1, pipes passing through concrete slabs or walls shall be sleeved.
- Structural members weakened by cutting, notching, or otherwise (drilled) shall be reinforced. Notching shall not exceed 25% of the structural member; drilling shall not exceed 40%. In no case shall the cutting be within 5/8 inches of the edge. Pipe shoes may be required.
- Cleanouts shall meet the standards of sections 707 and 719.
- Suspended pipes shall meet the standards of section 314 and table 3-2.
- Where fixtures make contact with a wall or floor, the joint shall be made watertight: section 408.2
- All pipe, pipe fittings, traps, fixtures, material, and devices shall be approved for the use applied and be labeled by the manufacturer. Sanitary tees shall not be used vertical to horizontal or horizontal to horizontal in drainage; short sweep shall only be allowed horizontal to vertical.
- A Certificate of Occupancy for the structure containing the new plumbing shall not be issued until the LPI has made a final inspection of the work and found it in compliance with the Code.
- Purple Primer must be used on PVC pipe.
- Drainage and vent pipes not allowed in outside walls without approval from Code Officer.

PLEASE READ AND INITIALIZE THE FOLLOWING:

\_\_\_\_\_ Framing/Rough Plumbing      Prior to any insulating or drywall; plumbing and framing to include pressure test of waste and water must take place the same time or a call back will incur a cost of \$50.00 per re-inspection fee.

\_\_\_\_\_ If any of the inspections do not occur, the project cannot go on to the next phase, **REGARDLESS OF THE NOTICE OR CIRCUMSTANCES.**

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Signature of Applicant

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Date

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Signature of Inspections Official

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Date

Map # \_\_\_\_\_ Lot # \_\_\_\_\_ Building Permit # \_\_\_\_\_