



Expectations For Inspections

PROVIDE THIS NOTICE TO YOUR CONTRACTOR BEFORE CONSTRUCTION!

To ensure that inspections can be completed properly and to limit the safety risk to Inspectors, the Building Department requires that certain components be installed, uncovered/exposed, labeled, etc. prior to an inspection. These items include but are not limited to the following:

For more information regarding job-site safety requirements, please contact the Ministry of Labour

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED ON SITE

A set of all Approved Drawings and Supporting Documents including, but not limited to, *Truss Drawings and Truss/Floor Layout plans, *Design Specifications sheets for all LVL's etc., and HVAC Drawings are required on site for all inspections.

STAIRS & LADDERS

Any areas to be inspected, **MUST BE ACCESSIBLE BY PROPERLY INSTALLED STAIRS.** Inspectors are not permitted to use ladders or gang planks or similar to access these areas as per Ministry of Labour guidelines and the Ontario Building Code.

BACK-FILL

In most circumstances, Inspectors are not permitted to enter an excavation trench. Prior to back filling, the "O" pipe drain tile around the footing perimeter **MUST BE EXPOSED A MIN. OF 12" IN AT LEAST ONE AREA ALONG EACH WALL FACE TO ALLOW FOR INSPECTION** without the need to enter the trench.

INSULATION LABELS

- For **blown-in attic insulation**, Installer shall **affix a label to the attic hatch describing the type of insulation, depth of application, and R-value achieved** without the need for the inspector to enter the attic space.
- For **spray foam installations**, a job label is also required and typically is affixed to the electrical panel door. **Spraying foam insulation requires protective equipment to prevent harmful chemical exposure. For this reason, an inspection of this type of insulation CANNOT be conducted for 48 hours after foam installation.**
- For **BIB** installations, density test must be completed to determine R-value. Documentation of these test results must also be clearly labeled and accessible for the inspector.

UNPROTECTED OPENINGS & UNSUPPORTED ELEMENTS

ANY OPENINGS THAT PRESENT AS A POTENTIAL RISK OF FALL, ETC., MUST BE PROTECTED AND CLEARLY MARKED.

- A firmly anchored temporary or completed permanent guard at the proper guard height relative to adjacent grade or other surfaces shall be installed.
- Any openings in floors for stair wells must be securely covered with ply-wood capable of bearing the weight of people and equipment. This extent of the covered opening, must be clearly marked.
- Any components that requires bracing, supports, or mechanical fastener connections in order to prevent failure of those components must be properly secured either permanently as designed or temporarily.