



RESIDENTIAL DECK

BUILDING APPLICATION CHECKLIST- 2015 MRC

This list is provided as a guide to help you understand the information that must be contained on the construction drawings. This list is not all-inclusive of all building codes but is used as a general guide for plan review.

General

- All construction documents shall be submitted.
- All drawings shall be completely dimensioned
- Drawn to scale not less than 1/8" = 1'0" and 1" = 20 ft. for plot & site plans
- Drawings must be clear and legible
- Drawing shall be prepared on sheet paper size no smaller than 8-1/2" x 11"
- Complete scope of work must be clearly identified for all phases of construction, indicating compliance with the current edition of Michigan Residential Code.

Application submittal requirements:

- Building (contractors) or Homeowner's Building permit application
- Minimum \$40.00 administration fees. Plan review and permit fees to be paid when permit is approved.
- Submit (1) copy of a plot plan sealed by licensed surveyor with the deck located and dimensioned to all structures and property lines. Plot plan may be available upon request. Email bina.shah@canton-mi.org to request.
- Submit (1) copy of a foundation plan showing all footings, sizes, depth and dimensions.
- Submit (1) copy of a deck floor /framing plan calling out size and spacing of beams and joists
- Submit (1) copy of a cross section through the deck showing all framing, footings, stairs, railings, connections and beams along with their sizes and spans.
- Submit (1) copy of a drawing showing railing height and baluster spacing. (if required)
- Submit (1) copy of homeowner association approval (if applicable)

Required Inspections: (Inspection scheduling number (734) 710-0356)

Wood Decks:

- Footing Inspection before concrete (Post layout) -#102
- Rough framing (for decks less than 36 inches high)- #110
- Final (Building) Inspection- #120

Licenses

Contractors must register their Residential Builder's License with the township online.

Homeowner's may use the Homeowner's Permit Application



Applicable Zoning Ordinances:

- **2.09, B- Rear yard setback encroachment**
- In rear yards: Open paved terraces, open porches, and decks may occupy a required rear yard provided that the unoccupied portion of the rear yard furnishes a depth of not less than 25 feet.
- Elevated decks, terraces and patios shall not be any higher than four feet above finished grade of the lot as measured to the top of the finished floor of the deck, patio or terrace.
- Any portion of the deck, patio or terrace or any roofed structure (such as a gazebo or roofed patio) which is built as an integral part of the deck, patio or terrace which exceeds 4 feet in height shall be considered as attached accessory structure per Section 2.03C and is subject to the setback requirements for the zoning district in which the structure is located in.
- The above height limitations shall not apply to decks for walk-out units where the deck extends off the finished first-floor elevation of the home.

Applicable Building Codes:

2015 Michigan Residential Code

- Refer to our Deck guide available on our webpage