



HOMEBUILDING CHECKLIST

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Here, in checklist form, are all the steps of building your home. This is a general guideline and not all areas may apply to your specific build. The asterisk by the numbers mean that the Building Inspector must check the work at this stage before construction can continue.

STEP 1: Buying Land/Selecting Plans

1. Picking out property
2. Pick out Plan/Customize Plan
3. Land Survey
4. Title Search
5. Water Table for Well
6. Septic System Soil Test

STEP 2: Before Closing

7. Review Loan Documents
8. Prepare Specifications Sheet
9. Prepare Materials/Labor Costs (Budget)
10. Submit Loan Application
11. Driveway Permit
12. Address Application
13. City Water (or Well Permit)
14. Sewer Tap (or Septic System Permit)
15. Building Permit
16. Construction Loan Closing

STEP 3: After Closing

17. Water Tap & Meter (or Contact Well Driller)
18. Order Temporary Services (Electric & Water)
19. Prepare Site for Construction

STEP 4: Site & Foundation

20. Rough Grade
21. Cut Driveway
22. Clear Site
23. *Temp Power
24. Excavate for Foundation
25. Install Foundation
26. Install in-floor Plumbing
27. Pour Basement Floor Concrete
28. Install Floor System

STEP 5: Framing

30. Frame 1st floor walls
31. Frame 2nd floor system
32. Frame 2nd floor walls
33. Set Trusses
34. Roof Sheathing & Felt
35. Install Exterior Doors & Windows
36. Install Roofing Shingles

STEP 6: Exterior Finishes

37. Pour Garage Floor Concrete
38. Install Siding
39. Pour Concrete Porches
40. Pour Driveway Concrete
41. Landscaping

STEP 7: Mechanical Rough-Ins

42. Rough-In HVAC system
43. Rough-In Plumbing
44. Rough-In Electrical
45. Install Fireplace
46. *Mechanical Inspections and Framing Inspection

STEP 8: Insulation

47. *Blow in Insulation

STEP 9: Drywall

48. Hang Drywall
49. Tape, Mud, & Finish Drywall

STEP 10: Paint

50. Prime Walls & Ceiling
51. Paint Wall Colors

29. *Backfill Foundation

STEP 11: Trimwork & Finishes

- 52. Hang Interior Doors
- 53. Trim Windows
- 54. Install Flooring
- 55. Tile Showers
- 56. Install Cabinetry
- 57. *Trim Electrical, Plumbing, & HVAC
- 58. Install Gutters

STEP 12: Final

- 59. Touch Ups
- 60. Install Appliances
- 61. *Final Inspection & Occupancy Permit

STEP 13: Move In and Enjoy Your New Home!

SELECTIONS

The following is a list of common interior and exterior fixtures and finishes that will need to be selected for most residential projects. We can provide samples to help reduce the searching process and keep the project within budget.

Exterior Finishes

During the design process we will develop a computer model and exterior elevations of the house. These will give us a clear idea of what the home is going to look like and help us make exterior material decisions.

Plumbing Fixtures

We will provide you with a floor plan showing fixture locations. We will also provide a plumbing selections page for you to choose fixtures.

Electrical Fixtures

The amount of electrical fixture options can be a bit daunting. It is easy to get overwhelmed with the many options. Keep it simple! Make your statement with just a couple of accent fixtures. During the design process we will work with you to develop an electrical plan to show lighting types and locations.

Appliances

Remember that you need to select your appliances before the cabinets can be finalized.

Cabinets

During the design process we will develop interior elevation drawings so that all of your cabinets get built just the way you want them.

Countertops

We find that selecting a countertop is a balancing act between looks and function. Our supplier, The Granite Shop, has a full showroom for you to explore and see various counter material.

Door Hardware

Think simple and keep it the same throughout the house.

Flooring

There are a lot of new and exciting options for flooring. Engineered vinyl plank is 100% waterproof, while providing the great look of wood and is complimented by an extremely durable surface. Carpet for the bedrooms and stairs is always a great option and provides the sense of “home”.

Tile

Often porcelain, ceramic tile, or natural stone can be used to great effect. Remember tile for bathroom floors, showers, and kitchen backsplash.