



# TOWN OF DURHAM

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## **REQUIRED INSPECTIONS FOR RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION**

**FOOTING** - After forming and installation of steel, but before pouring concrete.

**FOUNDATION** - After damp-proofing and before backfilling.

**UTILITIES** - Prior to backfilling or covering up any part of a water line, sewer line or septic system.

**FRAMING** - After rough plumbing, heating, wiring, but before insulation, and

**IF CHECKED**, after satisfactory

- submission of stamped certified truss specifications, and/or
- foundation location.

**HEAT PRODUCING APPLIANCES** - Furnaces, water heaters, and fireplaces, etc. must be inspected and approved. Any concealed piping or vents must be inspected prior to insulation inspection.

**INSULATION** - Prior to sheet rocking or covering any insulation.

**FINAL** - When project is completed, including final electrical inspection and heat producing appliances, if applicable.

Under normal circumstances, your Certificate of Occupancy document will be prepared within forty-eight (48) hours after completion of all of the above.

**IT IS ILLEGAL TO OCCUPY ANY BUILDING WITHOUT A CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY [IN VIOLATION OF THE LOCAL LAW OF THE TOWN OF DURHAM BUILDING LAW #2 OF 1997 SECTION 7(A)].**

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- Building permit applicant is responsible for scheduling the indicated inspections.
  - Additional inspections may be required by circumstances, or by the inspector, based on results of above inspections.
  - A forty-eight (48) hour advance notice is required to schedule all inspections.
  - No inspections will be performed unless the building permit card is visible from the street and the **town-approved plans are on site**

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