



# Rules, Regulations and Red Tape

# BP-31

Department of Building and Planning

Various codes and ordinances in effect in Spokane County that relate to development of properties and the construction of buildings or structures are listed below. It should be noted that these are the primary local codes and ordinances that will influence most proposals and that the listing does not necessarily address all federal, state and local regulations.

## Dept. of Building and Planning - 477-3675

[www.spokanecounty.org/247/Building-Planning](http://www.spokanecounty.org/247/Building-Planning)

- 2015 International Building Code, with Washington State Amendments
- 2015 International Residential Code, with Washington State Amendments
- 2015 Uniform Plumbing Code, with Washington State Amendments
- 2015 International Mechanical Code, with Washington State Amendments
- 2015 International Fire Code, with Washington State Amendments
- Critical Materials Handbook
- Washington State Energy Code
- Washington State Environmental Policy Act

In addition, the fire protection systems (number of fire hydrants and their location) will need to be coordinated with the local fire district and water district.

- Spokane County Zoning Code
- Spokane County Subdivision Ordinance
- Spokane County Shoreline Ordinances
- Spokane County Comprehensive Plan
- Spokane County Critical Areas Ordinance

Any conditional approvals or binding site plans resulting from a zone change, conditional use hearing, or other land use action will also need to be addressed.

## Public Works - 477-3600

[www.spokanecounty.org/257/Public-Works](http://www.spokanecounty.org/257/Public-Works)

- Spokane County Road Standards
- Guidelines for Storm Water Management

## Environmental Services - 477-3604

[www.spokanecounty.org/255/Environmental-Services](http://www.spokanecounty.org/255/Environmental-Services)

- Spokane County Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan
- Spokane County Solid Waste Management Plan
- Glenrose Stormwater Control Ordinance
- North Spokane Stormwater Control Ordinance

## Spokane Regional Clean Air Agency - 477-4727

[www.spokanecleanair.org](http://www.spokanecleanair.org)

Agency requirements pertinent to emissions to the air, renovation, demolition, and similar items that may impact your project.

## Spokane Regional Health District - 324-1560

[www.srhd.org](http://www.srhd.org)

- Spokane Regional Health District Solid Waste Management Regulations
- Spokane Regional Health District Rules and Regulations for Sewage Disposal Systems

## State Environmental Policy Act

- This is implemented through the permitting agency and can add certain time periods to the time involved in processing your permit.

## Application Review Procedures for Project Permits

- This is implemented through the permitting agency and contains requirements for public notice and permit processing time periods.

Please phone our offices for further information regarding which regulations might impact your particular proposal at the number(s) listed above. We're here to assist you in any way we can.

## Other Brochures that may be helpful

- BP-4 Permit Fee Schedule
- BP-39 Addressing
- BP-40 Information Directory

For more information or an appointment contact:

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