



# Center Harbor

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

### Construction Permit Information

Per the Town of Center [Harbor Zoning Ordinance \(3/2018\)](#), section 5:1 Construction Permits:

A Construction Permit shall be obtained by the owner or the owner's agent from the Selectmen for **all construction of which the estimated value of the labor and materials or the change in assessed valuation exceeds one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00), or any construction or reconstruction of a septic system**. Said permits may be granted if the proposed construction is in compliance with all applicable laws, ordinances, and regulations.

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**The owner and general contractor shall be jointly responsible for obtaining the Construction Permit.** The property owner may be required to sign the Construction Permit or appoint by letter an agent to act in their behalf, thereby agreeing to all conditions, should the Center Harbor Selectmen deem it advisable.

And, from Section 2 Definitions:

2:2:17 Construction – **Any activity including, but not limited to altering, reconstructing, building or structures and general improvement of the lot such as landscaping, driveways, and grading.** Construction shall include the placement or movement of any structures or buildings including but not limited to mobile homes and prefabricated buildings.

The above is provided for reference (**bold** added for emphasis), refer to the full Zoning Ordinances for complete details.

#### CONTACT INFORMATION:

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### CONSTRUCTION PERMIT RATES & RULES (as of 07/01/16)

- **New building, including attached garages:** \$0.25 per square foot
- **Remodel:** \$0.15 per square foot of renovated area
- **Out buildings/deck:** \$0.15 per square foot

(See below for electrical, plumbing, gas, septic, and driveway local specialty permit costs.)

**Repair permit by notification** for work done to maintain the current stature of the property are available if required conditions are met. There is no fee for this permit if approved by the Code Enforcement Officer. Repair/maintenance permit by notification include:

1. Normal roof repair or replacement.
2. Window replacement for energy upgrades. NOTE: Added windows and size changes may trigger the need for a permit.
3. Painting of the existing structure.
4. Normal existing driveway repairs with no added expansion of surface.

**Construction Permits** are automatically required if any of the following apply:

1. Any work for repair, replacement or new construction of septic systems
2. Any construction or additions that changes or adds to the structural footprint
3. Any work on the interior that has a fair market value of \$1500.00 or more except normal maintenance

### Specialty Permit Requirements:

1. State of NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) Shoreline permits are required for any work inside 250' of the shorefront of required water surfaces. Visit [DES Shoreland Permit website](#) for current and latest requirements.
2. State of NH DES Wetlands permits are required for docks and other work at or over the water surfaces. Visit [DES Wetlands Permit website](#) for current and latest requirements.

**Note: The Town's ordinances are often stricter than the DES rules and regulations.** It is the owner's responsibility to assure that all Town requirements are also met. Please review the Zoning Ordinances and discuss with Code Enforcement Officer.

**Local Specialty Permits** (available from Code Enforcement unless otherwise indicated):

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| 1. Electrical permit for any electrical work (homeowners may apply)                           | <b>\$35</b> |
| 2. Plumbing permit for any plumbing work (homeowners may apply with conditions of state code) | <b>\$35</b> |
| 3. Mechanical/Gas pipe permit (NOTE: Must be licensed for this permit.)                       | <b>\$35</b> |
| 4. Septic inspection  | <b>\$50</b> |
| 5. Septic repair inspection   | <b>\$25</b> |
| 6. Driveway construction permit (contact Road Agent)  | <b>\$50</b> |