

Office of the Building Department

DEMOLITION OF DWELLINGS OR BUILDINGS

The following procedures shall be implemented for demolition of dwelling houses and/or other accessory structures:

1. A building permit shall be secured prior to demolishing a dwelling house, accessory structure, and/or a commercial building. If there is an accessory structure such as a shed on the same parcel with the main building, it shall be noted that two structures are removed.
2. The fee for demolition is \$50.50 per main building plus a \$400.00 refundable cash bond. A fee of \$30.30 is required for an accessory structure (garage, shed, etc.). A written description of the structure that is to be removed will be required at the time the permit is applied for (examples of description: 2 ½ story wood frame dwelling house, 30' x 40', brick, or remove a two-car, wood frame, gable garage, 20' x 20').
3. The demolition contractor must be currently licensed to obtain a demolition permit.
4. All utilities are to be properly capped and terminated and approved by the appropriate utility company. The following utility companies shall be contacted by the demolition contractor and request written documentation to submit to the Building Department, proving termination:
 - **Gas** - Dominion East Ohio Gas – 216-736-6697
 - **Electric** - First Energy – 1-800-589-3101
 - **Water** - Cleveland Water – 216-664-2444
 - **Sewer** - Cuyahoga County Sanitary Engineer – 216-443-8208
 - **Phone** - Ameritech – 216-587-5747
 - **Septic** - Cuyahoga County Board of Health – 216-201-2001 ext. 1231
5. Demolition debris must be placed in a licensed construction and demolition debris facility except that clean, hard fill, as permitted by the EPA, may be used on site in legitimate fill operations for construction purposes.
6. All excavations are to be backfilled and the ground grade restored to the adjoining finish grades. The area shall be re-seeded for erosion control.
7. Pedestrian protection is required at all times.
8. The holder of the demolition building permit shall contact the Building Department to schedule a final inspection upon completion of the demolition, grading, and reseeded.
9. Demolition contractor is responsible to properly discard all wastes and hazardous materials such as asbestos.

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