



## TOWN OF PRESTON

### Building Department

389 Route 2

Preston, Connecticut 06365

## Decks and Covered Porches

### Minimum Permit Application Requirements

*Note: Please keep in mind that a complete application with all required information will help expedite the application process. An incomplete application will not be dated as accepted or circulated until all of the information is received. The following information is provided to assist in preparing a complete application package but in no way guarantees application approval or compliance with all applicable code requirements. It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide a complete and code compliant building permit application with supporting documentation.*

#### General Requirements

- Completed building permit application form(s) (available online or in Land Use Office)
- Submission of two signed and sealed sets of all drawings and information is required. One set will be returned with comments and/or conditions of approval and is to be left at the job site during construction.
- Zoning Enforcement, Sanitarian and Inland Wetland approvals are required prior to issuance of the building permit.
- A certificate of insurance for workers' compensation coverage must be provided by contractors or a sworn notarized affidavit provided, stating that the building owner / agent will require proof of workers' compensation insurance for all those employed on the job site.
- Home Improvement, Mechanical (HVAC), Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Protection and other trades are required to be licensed in Connecticut. A copy of their license and proof of insurance will be required at the time of application.

#### Minimum Plan Requirements

- Plans shall be drawn to scale (1/4" per ft. preferred) and shall include (as applicable) the following drawings and information for review and approval. The size, scope and type of project will dictate what drawings are required.
- Plans shall be drawn to scale (1/4" per ft. preferred) and shall include the following:
  - Framing Plans including sizes, spacing, species and grade of framing members
  - Size of all posts, joists, and beams, shown on a framing plan.
  - Handrail and guardrail details (including, if applicable, chippendale rail, sun bursts, and pre-manufactured rail systems).
  - Type and manufacturer of composite decking if applicable
  - Stair details.
  - Elevations, front, side and rear with attachment details (such as attachment to house, joist to beam connections, rail to post connection, etc.).
  - Method of lateral restraint
  - Footing details (minimum footing depth is 42 inches, footings shall bear on solid soil).
  - Any other drawings that may be needed to convey the scope of work
- Plans shall indicate that smoke detectors and CO detectors will be provided throughout the entire house in accordance with the latest edition of the International Residential Code.

\_\_\_ Plans shall show all retaining walls, decks, porches, overhangs, stairs or other similar features along with all construction details, dimensions and material call-outs. Retaining walls may require engineered plans

\_\_\_ Dimensions, specifications and details as required to convey the scope of work. Any other drawings that may be needed to convey the scope of work

**Other Requirements**

\_\_\_ All engineered items such as trusses, LVL beams, etc.) must be accompanied by proof of compliance with all applicable codes.

Affidavit: I hereby certify that I have read and understand the requirements as stated above for a permit and further understand that unless all required items are submitted with the permit application, my application will be IMMEDIATELY placed on HOLD until all required items are submitted.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_