



MEMORANDUM OF POLICY

Building Codes

FROM: Brian M Pawl, Chief Building Official

DATE: 10/5/2021

APPROVED: 10/5/2021 Brian M Pawl

EFFECTIVE: Immediately

SUBJECT: Temporary Inspection Policy in response to Covid-19 Virus concerns

In response to the communicable nature of the Covid-19 Virus, the Pitkin County Building Department has modified our onsite inspections policy.

Onsite inspection will need to be coordinated the inspector prior to arrival. This inspection will need to be conducted with limited personnel on the site and appropriate precautions in place such as all members wearing mask, hand washing, social distancing and public interaction protocol adherence. If you fail to comply with these regulations, an inspector can refuse to perform the inspection without retaliation against the County, until the regulations are adhered to.

This is a temporary measure under the current extreme situation and is not meant as a substitution for required County inspections under normal circumstances. The Contractor and property owner shall always be responsible for code compliance no matter what the circumstances. If later inspections reveal noncompliance with Code or approved plans or development approvals, failure to so discover during these violations or failures during utilization of abbreviated inspections shall not constitute a waiver of the County's ability to enforce the County Code or the scope of issued permits and approvals. If any portion of the permitted scope of work inspected in this manner comes under future scrutiny or produces any sort of questionable construction or is found defective the County assumes no additional liability beyond what is defined in the currently adopted Building Code and the Contractor carries all normally assumed and assigned liability as defined by Code, Profession and Licensing.