



Planning and Development Services

Scope:

On April 24, 2020 Governor Inslee issued an addendum to his Stay Home - Stay Healthy Order (20-25), which establishes Phase 1 Construction Restart COVID-19 Job Site Requirements. The addendum allows all construction activities meeting a low-risk threshold of six foot distancing to operate if in compliance with the Phase 1 requirements.

The intent of this handout is to establish an understanding about the Planning & Development Services Department's inspection needs and expectations as circumstances change during the COVID-19 outbreak. The County's desire is for your project to receive the necessary inspections while protecting the health of Snohomish County employees. As an owner, project manager or contractor, your understanding of the needs and expectations of Snohomish County PDS noted in this handout will help us create positive outcomes including:

- Protection of the health and safety of employees.
- Completion of required inspections in an efficient and timely manner and in alignment with current state orders.
- Minimized delays to construction activities and inspections.

Inspections:

1. Contractors or owners who request inspections should notify the county in advance if anyone on the job site or in the building area where the inspection will occur has experienced symptoms of COVID-19 (fever of 100.4 F, shortness of breath, productive/uncontrolled cough, prolonged sore throat). The notification should note the presence of symptoms generally but must maintain personal confidentiality as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Based on this information, County management will determine if the County can perform the inspection as scheduled and will ensure inspectors are prepared to use appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).
2. Workers shall keep a safe distance from the inspector and the inspection location.
3. All work requiring inspection shall be complete and ready for inspection. This will help eliminate any unnecessary visits to the site.
4. Safe access shall be provided to the work area requiring inspection. Inspectors have the right to refuse to perform an inspection if the area or access to the area is unsafe or poses a threat to their health and safety based on the precautionary practices defined by the Department of Labor and the Washington State Department of Health. An unsafe site will result in missed inspections.
5. Under the authority of the Washington Industrial Safety and Health Act (WISHA), L&I's Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH) will enforce the COVID-19 jobsite safety

and health requirements. Complaints may be submitted to the L&I Call Center (1-800-423-7333) or via e-mail to Linda Adame at adag235@lni.wa.gov.

6. General questions about how to comply with construction safety practices can be submitted to the state's Business Response Center at <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/2562f1caf5814c46a6bf163762263aa5>. All other violations related to Proclamation 20-25 can be submitted at <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/09349a1c56844b539fea1c2cabd16d56>

Have a question? Please ask your inspector. They're here to help.

We appreciate your help to achieve the shared goal to provide for the safety and health of all individuals at work areas during this unprecedented time.

Where can I get additional information?

- www.mybuildingpermit.com