

Commercial Construction Documents (Required for Plan Review)

- Previous to application, all zoning and land development approvals must be obtained.
- Previous to application, all state road access permits must be obtained.
- Plot plans conforming to the Plot Plan Requirement List are required.
- Abington Township Ordinance 1795 requires all commercial buildings be designed to 1996 BOCA table 602; types 1 or 2, A or B non-combustable protected standards.

Architectural floor plans and drawings signed and sealed by an architect or engineer shall include the following:

1. Use and Occupancy as defined in the I.B.C. Chapter 3.
2. Occupancy of all neighboring units on the same property.
3. Type of structure, Chapter 6.
4. Occupant load for total building, each floor, each room or space. Show all occupancy calculations in relation to mechanical code requirements.
5. Size, length, and character of all means of egress.
6. All structural material and wall-ceiling coatings, venting (interior and exterior).
7. Details of all hangers, brackets, and connectors.
8. Roof dimensions including pitch and drains as calculated from the I.P.C.
9. Accessibility compliance and details.
10. Door, window, electrical control, and energy conservation schedules.
11. Wall finishes for toilet and bath areas.
12. Mechanical, plumbing, sprinkler, and electric plans (all require separate permits).

Note: Plumbing requirements as per the Abington Plumbing Code.

Allow 30 days review time for commercial permits.

Accessibility/Electric Review and Inspections must be performed by one of the agencies listed:

A. Code Inspections, Inc.	-	215-672-9400	A,E
B. United Inspection Agency	-	215-542-9977	E, A
C. Municipal Inspection Corp.	-	215-673-4434	E
D. Building Inspection Underwriters, Inc.	-	215-322-2626	A,E
E. Atlantic-Inland Inspections Inc.	-	610-995-2791, Ext. 16	E
F. Middle Dept. Inspection Agency, Inc.	-	215-244-1919	A,E

Commercial Plan Review Requirements for Third Party Agencies

The Township of Abington is now requiring that all commercial projects be reviewed entirely prior to permit submission to the Township. An entire plan review would consist of Building, Electric, Mechanical, Energy, Fire, and Accessibility. Abington Township will still review the Plumbing portion of the project to the Township of Abington Plumbing Code.

Listed below are four (4) state approved third party agencies that can perform commercial plan reviews:

Code Inspections, Inc.

605 Horsham Road
Horsham, PA 19044
Office: 1-866-672-9175
Fax: 215-672-7642

Building Inspection Underwriters, Inc.

302 E. Pennsylvania Avenue
Feasterville, PA 19053
Office: 215-322-2626
Fax: 215-364-7921

Keystone Municipal Services

606 Rose Lane
Morton, PA 19070
Office: 610-544-6410
Fax: 610-544-6411

United Inspection Agency

180 S. Main Street
Ambler, PA 19002
Office: 215-542-9977
Fax: 215-540-9721

Questions regarding the process can be directed to:

Lisa Erkert
Building Code Official/Office Manager
Code Enforcement Department
267-536-1016