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Electrical Permit Requirements for Septic Systems – Clarification

Historically, the Union County Building Department has mandated an electrical permit for homes with septic systems requiring additional electrical equipment. The Building Department would complete a plan review, assess applicable permit fees, and subsequently issue a permit. The final inspection for this work was required to be completed prior to the home's final electric inspection.

Upon review of the 2019 Residential Code of Ohio (RCO) §101.2, Scope, Exception 9 this process has been determined to be inappropriate.

Therefore, effective immediately an electrical permit will not be required for this work as it has been determined to be exempt from the requisites of the Residential Code of Ohio.

RCO §101.2 Scope. The provisions of the “Residential Code of Ohio for One-, Two-, and Three-Family Dwellings” shall apply to the construction, alteration, movement, enlargement, replacement, repair, equipment, use and occupancy, location, maintenance, removal, and demolition of every one-, two-, or three-family dwelling, any appurtenances connected or attached to such buildings or structures.....

Exception 9.

Sewerage systems, treatment works, and disposal systems (including the tanks, piping, and process equipment associated with these systems) regulated by the legislative authority of a municipal corporation or the governing board of a county or special district owning or operating a publicly owned treatment works or sewerage system as stated in division (A) of section 6111.032 of the Revised Code.

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