



HUNTINGTON BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Permit “Conditions” Guide

The intent of this guide is to provide additional information for general contractors and architects on “Conditions” that have been placed on development projects.

What are “Conditions”?

Conditions are used as an internal mechanism to inform Community Development Inspectors that the Fire Department requires specific actions to be taken prior to a final inspection. The most common actions include obtaining a separate Fire Construction Permit or performing a final fire inspection.

Common Permit “Conditions”

Below is a list of common “conditions” that are placed on development projects, along with the steps associated with satisfying the requirements for each condition:

- 1) **Fire Sprinkler.** This condition requires a project to obtain a separate Fire Construction Permit to install or modify a fire sprinklers within the building.
 - a) A C-16 licensed contractor shall submit fire sprinkler plans to the HBFD using the [ACA portal](#).
 - b) A rough-in inspection must be approved prior to insulation or drywall.
 - c) The sprinkler permit must be finalized prior to scheduling a building final inspection.
- 2) **Fire Alarm.** This condition requires a project to obtain a separate Fire Construction Permit to install or modify a fire alarm system within the building.
 - a) A C-10 licensed contractor shall submit fire alarm plans to the HBFD using the [ACA portal](#).
 - b) A rough-in inspection must be approved prior to insulation or drywall.
 - c) The fire alarm permit must be finalized prior to scheduling a building final inspection.
- 3) **Methane Barrier.** Methane barriers are common for homes located in the [Methane District](#). Installations or modifications to methane barriers require a separate Fire Construction Permit and shall comply with [City Specification No. 429](#).
 - a) A certified Methane Barrier installer shall submit plans to the HBFD using the [ACA portal](#).
 - b) A methane barrier rough-in and smoke test must be approved prior to pouring the foundation.
 - c) A final inspection must be completed prior to scheduling a building final inspection.
- 4) **Kitchen Extinguishing System.** This condition requires a project to obtain a separate Fire Construction Permit to install or modify a kitchen extinguishing system (UL300) within the building.
 - a) A C-16 licensed contractor shall submit plans to the HBFD using the [ACA portal](#).
 - b) A final inspection must be performed on the Fire Construction permit prior to a building permit being scheduled.
- 5) **Fire Final.** This condition is placed on a record when the fire department is required to perform a final life safety inspection prior to the completion of the project.
 - a) To schedule an inspection follow the directions linked [here](#).
 - b) A Fire Final inspection must be completed prior to scheduling a building final inspection.
- 6) **Fire Lane.** This condition is placed on a record when the HBFD needs to verify that the fire lanes for the project are compliant with [City Specification No. 401](#). Fire Lane inspections can be scheduled through the [Building](#) Department.

For questions related to permit conditions, please contact the Community Risk Reduction Division at (714) 536-5411, between 8 am and 5 pm or visit our website at:

https://huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/fire/fire_prevention_code_enforcement/