



City of Santa Barbara  
Building & Safety Division  
Inspection Request Information

Community Development  
630 Garden Street  
805-564-5485

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### How to request an inspection:

- Call the Building & Safety inspection request line at **(805) 564-5492**.
- Send an e-mail to **Inspections@santabarbaraca.gov**.

*(For Fire Department inspections call 564-5702 during business hours. The Fire Department must perform an inspection prior to final building inspection for all new residential and commercial buildings as well as commercial remodels)*

**You MUST call the morning of your inspection for approximate inspection time, and the name of your inspector. To reach them, call 564-5485 between 7:30 & 8:30 a.m.**

### When to request an inspection:

- Call or email the request the day before you want the inspection to take place.
- Calls or emails received after 6:30 a.m. will be scheduled for the next working day.
- Calls or emails received over the weekend will be scheduled for Monday or the following working day.

### Information to leave on the recording or in the e-mail:

- Permit number (toward top center of permit, starts with BLD)
- Type of inspection or inspections requested (see reverse side of job card for different types)
- Complete street address including unit, space, or suite number/letter
- Name and phone number of caller (no pagers please)
- Any special instructions such as entry combinations, unmarked roads, etc...

### Information required on the job site for the inspector:

- The permit/inspection record
- All past inspection or correction notices
- The City approved set of plans and any related documents (truss drawings, revisions, etc...)

### General job site requirements:

- The inspector will not enter an occupied or furnished house without an adult present.
- The inspector may enter the back yard when no one is home if given permission to do so by the owner, occupant, or responsible party. Permission may in the form of a verbal request left on the inspection recording line.
- All dogs must be secured or removed from the area of inspection.
- When providing a ladder, please make sure it is OSHA approved and that it extends at least 3 feet above the roof surface.



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❑ **Municipal Code Section 7.16.270 - Building Waste not to be Deposited for Collection by City's Contractor:**

No person shall deposit for regular collection by the City's contractor waste building material and other waste materials from the construction, alteration, repair, moving and demolition of buildings or from promotion and development of property by any real estate or commercial agent or from industrial or manufacturing processes.

❑ **Municipal Code 7.24.010 - Temporary Toilet Facilities during Building Construction – when Required:**

It shall be unlawful for any person to commence construction work on any building in the City where two (2) or more workmen are employed, unless adequate temporary toilet facilities for the use of the workmen is provided.

Such adequate temporary toilet facilities shall be maintained until the completion of the construction work on the building.

❑ **Municipal Code 9.16.015 Construction Work at Night:**

It shall be unlawful for any person, between the hours of 8:00 p.m. of any day and 7:00 a.m. of the following day to erect, construct, demolish, excavate for, alter or repair any building or structure if the noise level created thereby is in excess of the ambient noise level by 5dBA at the nearest property line of a property used for residential purposes unless a special permit therefore has been applied for and granted by the Chief of Building and Zoning. In granting such special permit the Chief of Building & Zoning shall consider is construction noise in the vicinity of the proposed work site would be less objectionable at night than during daytime because of different population levels or different neighboring activities, if obstruction and interference with traffic, particularly on streets of major importance, would be less objectionable at night than during daytime, if the kind of work to be performed emits noises at such a low level as to not cause significant disturbance in the vicinity of the work site, if the neighborhood of the proposed work site is primarily residential in character wherein sleep could be disturbed, if great economic hardship would occur if the work were spread over a longer time, if the work will abate or prevent hazard to life or property, if the proposed night work is in the general public interest; and he shall prescribe such conditions, working times, types of construction equipment to be used, and permissible noise emissions, as he deems to be required in the public interest. This section shall not be applicable to activities of public or private utilities when restoring utility service following a public calamity or when doing work required to protect persons or property from an imminent exposure to danger.

❑ **Lead & Other Materials of Concern:**

Lead and other constituents of concern may be found in surface and subsurface soils within the city limits of Santa Barbara. Please refer to the EPA's Soil Screening User's Guide, [www.epa.gov/superfund/health/conmedia/soil/pdfs/ssg496.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/superfund/health/conmedia/soil/pdfs/ssg496.pdf) , when disturbing soil for construction or other purposes.