

Permits

Zoning Certificate

Before starting any construction, renovation or demolition project on your property or home, you must contact the **Fayette County Office of Planning and Zoning** to find out if your project is permitted under your particular zoning designation. If your project is permitted, you will receive a **Zoning Certificate** which outlines the setbacks that are required, and any other pertinent information.

Depending on the nature of the project, Planning and Zoning may also need information from the Township office on whether or not your project is located within a **floodplain**.

In the case of new construction, you will need either a letter from the local sewage authority stating that public sewage is available, or a dye test certificate from the Township's Sewage Enforcement Officer stating that the property is suitable for an on-lot system.

Building Permits

The second step would be to contact **McMillen Engineering** who will determine if a **Building Permit** is needed before you start work. McMillen will need a copy of your Zoning Certificate. McMillen will also determine if **Stormwater Management** issues must be addressed. McMillen will also conduct any required inspections during the duration of the project.

Occupancy Permit

All commercial establishments must obtain an **Occupancy Permit** before opening for business. Occupancy Permits are issued by McMillen Engineering.

Driveway Permits

Driveway Permits for driveways entering onto a Township road can be obtained at the Township office. There is no charge for a permit serving new construction. PennDOT will issue permits for driveways entering onto a State road.

Road Opening Permits

A **Road Opening Permit** (Highway Occupancy Permit) is required prior to any disturbance or intrusion onto a Township road (utility lines, stormwater lines, etc.) These permits are issued by the Township office, and will require a Bond and a Certificate of Insurance. PennDOT requires a similar permit for intrusion upon a State road.

On-Lot Sewage Disposal System Permit/Repair Permit

Prior to issuance of a Zoning Certificate and/or Building Permit for any new structure to be constructed on property that is not served by public sewers, the owners must obtain an **On-Lot Sewage Disposal System Permit**. Applications are available at the Township Office. The applicant will be contacted by the Township's Sewage Enforcement Officer to make arrangements for testing.

A permit is also required prior to any **repairs** to an existing system. This application is also available at the Township Office.

Dye Testing Prior to Sale or Transfer

A **Dye Test** is required prior to the sale or transfer of any structure that is not connected into the public sewer system. Applications are available at the Township office, and the applicant will be contacted by the Township's Sewage Enforcement Office to make arrangements for the test.

Sewer Tap Permit for New Construction

For new construction on property that is served by public sewers, a **Tap Permit** must be obtained from the appropriate sewage authority prior to construction. The two authorities serving the Township are the **Perryopolis Joint Municipal Authority** (serving Star Junction) and the **Perry Township Municipal Authority** (serving Wickhaven, Whitsett, Banning, Blue Top Road, Rehoboth Church Road, Harmony Church Road, Old Route 51, Fayette City Boulevard, and portions of Pittsburgh Road).

Contact Information

Fayette County Planning and Zoning
61 East Main Street
Uniontown, PA 15401
724-430-1210

McMillen Engineering
115 Wayland Smith Drive
Uniontown, PA 15401
724-439-8110

Perry Township
One Township Drive
Star Junction, PA 15482
724-736-2334

Pennsylvania Department of Transportation
724-439-7228 or
724-439-7134

Perryopolis Joint Municipal Authority
PO Box 298
312 East Independence Street
Perryopolis, PA 15473
724-736-8330

Perry Township Municipal Authority
PO Box 306
One Township Drive
Star Junction, PA 15482
724-736-8157