THE REPAIR AND INSPECTION SEQUENCE FOR DAMAGED PROPERTIES

Now that you have your building permit, the next step is to secure the services of a licensed electrical contractor and a licensed HVAC contractor to inspect electrical and HVAC equipment.

Do not install drywall or cover the electrical or HVAC systems until the following has been completed:

The licensed Electrical and HVAC contractors will obtain electrical and HVAC permits associated with the repair and replacement of any damaged electrical, HVAC systems or any part thereof. The licensed contractors will complete their work and call Codes for Inspections and approvals.

After the Electrical and Mechanical work has been inspected, insulation must be installed in the exterior walls and floors to meet the requirements of the adopted energy codes. Walls must be insulated with R-13, and floors must be insulated with R-19.

After installing insulation and before hanging the drywall, you will call the Codes Department’s Building Inspection Division (615-862-6550) and request a “framing inspection.”

Upon receiving our approval of the framing inspection, you are then free to hang the drywall and complete the remainder of the repairs.

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HOW TO OBTAIN PERMITS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REPAIR OF WEATHER DAMAGED HOMES

The Department of Codes and Building Safety urges you to use extreme caution when re-entering any residence that has been damaged.

A building permit is required prior to making repairs to damaged homes and buildings.

While building permits are not required for ordinary maintenance and repairs . . . the repair of a weather damaged home or building is far from ‘ordinary’.

While there are no permits required to do the ‘demolition’ and ‘clean-up’ associated with the project (the removal of drywall and damaged carpet, doors, etc.), a building permit is required prior to installation of the drywall and prior to repair of any electrical, plumbing, or mechanical (HVAC) system damage.

How does a building permit benefit the Homeowner?

In a word: SAFETY. A building permit and the inspections that accompany a permit protect you, your family and guests, and future owners. It protects your neighbor. It protects your contractor. It protects the city. Evidence of permits and inspections may be required in an insurance claim or property sale. All of this adds up to a protection of your property’s value.