

its intended use and before occupancy. (Decks, stairs, guard, and hand railings are complete). Where applicable, lot grading requirements must be met and a Certificate of Installation is required for an onsite septic system. A civic number must also be posted before an occupancy permit may be issued.



**If the building foundation system is an engineered slab then the first inspection is underground plumbing followed by engineered slab pre-pour.*

More Information

Foundation footing and/or slab perimeter drains shall not be placed or directed into a ditch owned and maintained by the N.S. Department of Public Works or the Municipality of East Hants.

Rain leader downspouts cannot be connected to the footing drains.

All buildings on Municipal services SHALL have a backwater valve installed in accordance with current plumbing/building codes and municipal bylaws to prevent the backup from a public sewer.

Roof and floor truss drawings shall be provided onsite for framing inspection.

To avoid delays, it is recommended that you request an inspection at least 72 hours before you are ready for the inspection. Call 902-883-5400 or email at inspections@easthants.ca to arrange for an inspection.

If the Building Official visits the site at your request for one of the mandatory inspections and you are not ready, or the building is locked, there is a \$50 fee charged per occasion.

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Required Building Inspections



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Arranging Inspections

New construction requires several mandatory inspections. It is the responsibility of the property owner, contractor or consultant to arrange for the mandatory inspections.

Required Inspections

1st Inspection—Footings*

Call when the footing forms are removed and before the foundation forms are started. A Surveyor's Location Certificate is required to verify the location of the footings, if only a footing permit has been issued.



2nd Inspection—Foundation*

Call for an inspection when the dampproofing is complete, perimeter drainpipe installed and covered with six inches of gravel on sides and top.

A foundation inspection will not be done until a Surveyor's Location Certificate has been received and the location verified to the requirements of the Land Use Bylaw, if only a footing permit has



been issued.

3rd Inspection—Underground Plumbing*

Underground plumbing is installed prior to covering.

4th Inspection—Underslab Insulation Inspection

Underslab installation and polyethylene installed with penetrations sealed.

5th Inspection—Framing, Rough Plumbing, and Ventilation

Call when the structure is completely framed, roof covering is completed, windows and doors installed, mechanical ventilation, plumbing, and electrical work rough in are completed.



6th Inspection—Insulation and Vapour Barrier

Call when insulation, vapour barrier, and air-sealing is complete. Drywall is not to be started until approved.



7th Inspection—Final

Call when the building is complete and ready for