

Community Planning & Permitting

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Procedure for Contemporaneous Reviews of Electrical and Plumbing Licenses

This policy is in response to HB19-1086 effective January 1, 2020 (Plumbing), and SB19-156 effective July 1, 2019 (Electrical). This policy is pursuant to Section 12-155-120(1) and (10), Colorado Revised Statutes, which become effective Jan. 1, 2020.

This standard procedure is for conducting contemporaneous reviews to ensure consistent, timely and efficient enforcement of Colorado's electrical and plumbing licensure and apprenticeship requirements.

Boulder County reserves the right to request documentation for all permits that involve electrical or plumbing work that provides identifying information for contractors performing this work. Boulder County may use this information for the purpose of verifying the licensure of these contractors and to ensure that appropriate apprenticeship requirements are being met. This request for electrical and plumbing contractor information may occur prior to permit issuance, or at any time thereafter. Failure to provide this information will be grounds to prevent a permit from being issued, or invalidate an already issued permit regardless of the issued date.

Contemporaneous reviews may include a full or partial review of the electricians, plumbers and apprentices working at a job site at the inspector's discretion, based on their familiarity with the installers and any other relevant factors.

Inspectors may perform contemporaneous reviews at any time. Inspectors may conduct occasional, random, on-site inspections while actual plumbing or electrical work is being conducted with an emphasis on large commercial and multifamily projects.

If a contemporaneous review reveals any non-compliance with Colorado's electrical and plumbing licensure or apprenticeship requirements, the inspector who performed the review shall promptly notify his or her immediate supervisor. Staff will consider the nature and severity of the violation and determine whether to file a complaint with the State electrical and plumbing boards per C.R.S. Title 12, Article 115 (Electricians) or C.R.S. Title 12, Article 155 (Plumbers).