

Electrical Permit Information

The Electrical Code

The State of Michigan, including the City of Portage, is governed by the State of Michigan Electrical Code. The Electrical Code consists of the 2011 National Electrical Code with Michigan Part Eight technical amendments. Provisions for one and two family dwellings are included in the 2009 State of Michigan Residential Code.

Is an electrical permit required?

Yes. A person shall not equip a building with electrical conductors or equipment or make an alteration of, change in, or addition to, electrical conductors or equipment without receiving a permit to do the work described. Work should not be started until a permit has been issued.

Electrical permits are not required for the following:

- **Repairs and maintenance:** Minor repair work, including the replacement of lamps or the connection of approved portable electrical equipment to approved permanently installed receptacles.
- **Radio and television transmitting stations:** Provisions of the code do not apply to electrical equipment used for radio and television transmission, but do apply to equipment and wiring for power supply and to the installation of towers and antennas.
- **Temporary testing systems:** A permit is not required for the installation of any temporary system required for the testing or servicing of electrical equipment or apparatus.

Who can perform electrical work?

To obtain electrical permits, an applicant shall be an electrical contractor or specialty contractor licensed by a municipality or by the State Electrical Administrative Board; or a homeowner performing electrical work in a single family home and accompanying outbuildings owned and occupied, or to be occupied, by the person performing the installation.

Electrical Permit Application

The electrical permit application can be printed for your use. Simply complete the application and bring or mail it (along with the applicable fees) to the Department of Community Development for processing.

Project Address: _____
 Owner Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Description of Work: _____

 Utility Company: _____ Energy Request #: _____
 Date for Inspection: _____

Contractor Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 State of Michigan Contractors License #: _____ Exp. Date: _____
 Email Address: _____
 Work. Comp. Carrier (or reason for exemption): _____
 Fed. I.D. # (or reason for exemption): _____
 MESCC # (or reason for exemption): _____
 Licensee Personal Name Printed: _____
 Licensee Personal Signature: _____ Date: _____
 (no agent's signature)

Base Fee	_____ 1	EA @	\$45.00	_____ 45.00
Temporary Service	_____	EA @	\$10.00	_____
Services up to 200 Amps	_____	EA @	\$10.00	_____
Services 201 - 600 Amps	_____	EA @	\$15.00	_____
Services 601 - 800 Amps	_____	EA @	\$20.00	_____
Services 801 - 1200 Amps	_____	EA @	\$25.00	_____
Service over 1201 Amps	_____	EA @	\$50.00	_____
Service Alterations (including generators)	_____	EA @	\$10.00	_____
Each Circuit	_____	EA @	\$ 5.00	_____
Adds to wire-no new circuits	_____	EA @	\$ 6.00	_____
Buss ducts, Feeders, Etc. per 50 feet - 1 circuit	_____	EA @	\$ 6.00	_____
Additional branch circuit panels (included with service)	_____	EA @	N/C	_____
Fixtures-per units of 25	_____	EA @	\$ 6.00	_____
Motors - all sizes	_____	EA @	\$ 6.00	_____
Range Circuit	_____	EA @	\$ 7.00	_____
Oven Circuit	_____	EA @	\$ 7.00	_____
Dishwasher Circuit	_____	EA @	\$ 7.00	_____
Air Conditioner Circuit	_____	EA @	\$ 7.00	_____
Disposal Circuit	_____	EA @	\$ 7.00	_____
Clothes Dryer Circuit	_____	EA @	\$ 7.00	_____
Water Heater Circuit	_____	EA @	\$ 7.00	_____
Sign Circuit/installation	_____	EA @	\$10.00	_____
Gasoline dispenser/pump	_____	EA @	\$ 6.00	_____
Electric Space Heater Circuit	_____	EA @	\$ 4.00	_____

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Light and power transformer	_____ EA @	\$10.00	_____
Heating - Forced Air & Water	_____ EA @	\$ 5.00	_____
Smoke detectors/Fire Alarms (per residential dwelling/unit)	_____ EA @	\$ 6.00	_____
Fire Alarm (Commercial):			
up to 10 devices	_____ EA @	\$50.00	_____
11 to 20 devices	_____ EA @	\$100.00	_____
over 20 devices	_____ EA @	\$ 5.00	_____
Radio amplification Systems	_____ EA @	\$100.00	_____
Swimming Pool/Hot tub/Sauna	_____ EA @	\$15.00	_____
Special Event	_____ EA @	\$45.00	_____
Additional Inspection	_____ HR @	\$56.00	_____
Inspections outside work hours	_____ EA @	\$75.00	_____
TOTAL Charges			_____

 No form executed by this department implies or provides exemption from any code or ordinance requirements.

IT IS THE APPLICANT'S RESPONSIBILITY TO CALL FOR UNDERGROUND, ROUGH-IN, SEWER, WATER, AND FINAL INSPECTIONS 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL RESULT IN UNCOVERING THE WORK AND/OR COURT ACTION. PENALTY FOR VIOLATION MAY BE A FINE OF NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500) OR BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN NINETY (90) DAYS, OR BOTH, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.

 EXPIRATION: Permit shall expire and become null and void if the building or work authorized is not commenced within 180 days from the date of issuance, or if the building or work authorized is suspended or abandoned for a period of 180 days.

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Section 23a of the State Construction Code Act of 1972, Act No. 230 of Public Acts of 1972, being Section 125.1523a of the Michigan Compiled Laws, prohibits a person from conspiring to circumvent the licensing requirements of this state relating to persons who perform work on a residential building or a residential structure. Violators of Section 23a are subject to civil fines.

HOME OWNER AFFIDAVIT (if applicable)

I Hereby certify the electrical work described on this permit shall be installed by myself in my own home in which I am living or about to occupy.

Homeowner's Signature: _____ Date: _____