**Metal Structures, Barns and Storage Structures**

* Metal structures, barns and storage structures over 200 square feet in unincorporated areas of Marion County, Tennessee require a Building Permit.
* Metal structures, barns and storage structures may **not** be used for human habitation. These structures may be used for storage **ONLY**.
* Metal structures, barns and storage structures must observe the Marion County setbacks:

**Minimum Setbacks**: Are measured from the property lines, not the road or right-of-way. The minimum setbacks allowed are:

**Front – Forty (40’) Feet; Side – Fifteen (15’) Feet; Rear – Fifteen (15’) Feet**

* A completed Building Permit Application should be submitted and must include the State Tax Map and Parcel Number of the property the structures will be located on.

If the State Tax Map and Parcel Number is not known, that information can be found online at [Tennessee Property Data Home Page (tn.gov)](https://www.assessment.cot.tn.gov/RE_Assessment/).

Or

The Assessor of Property’s Office

Phone: 423 942 3494

Marion County Court House, Suite 203, Jasper, TN 37347

* The 9 1 1 address must be included on the application for the Building Permit prior to submitting the permit for review.
* If the building is the only structure on this Map and Parcel, you will need to obtain a 9 1 1 address.
* To obtain a 9 1 1 address. \* You will need to provide the State Tax Map and Parcel Number of the property the structure is going to be built in your request.

Contact:

Jerry Don Case at the 9 1 1 Office

Phone: 423 942 4423

Email: [jdcase\_911@yahoo.com](mailto:jdcase_911@yahoo.com)

Physical Address: 105 West First Street, Jasper, TN 37347

If there is already a residence on this Map and Parcel, you may use the residential 9 1 1 address and there will not be a need to obtain a separate one for this structure.

* Include the contract value, the scope of work in addition to all other information requested on the application.

**Septic Permit ~ If the structure will have plumbing**

* Septic Permits are issued by the **T**ennessee **D**epartment of **E**nvironment and **C**onservation (TDEC).
* To apply for Septic Permits online: <https://tdec.tn.gov/septic>
* If you prefer not to apply online, appointments for Septic Permits and other DWR services must be made directly with:

TDEC Area Representative: Natalie Lankford

Cell: 423 883 7526

If she is unavailable, you may contact the Chattanooga Environmental Field Office at 423 634 5745 for assistance.

For all other water related correspondence including Septic and Decentralized Systems or Greywater go to:

<http://tn.gov/environment/section/wr-water-resources>

A copy of the Septic Permit or the Septic Permit receipt showing your payment as well as any associated paperwork must be included with the Application for Building Permit Application when the application is submitted.

If an existing septic system will be used, you will need to obtain a **Verification of System letter** from TDEC. If you have any questions regarding septic, contact Natalie Lankford at 423 883 7526 or TDEC in Chattanooga at 423 634 5745.

**IMPORTANT Note:** The Marion County Building and Planning Office cannot issue any Septic Permits. Additionally, we do not maintain or have access to Septic Permit Testing Records. Please contact the Tennessee Division of Water for Septic Permits and any information regarding them.

**Blueprint or Drawings**

* Two (2) sets of blueprints or drawings to scale

One set of the blueprints or drawings will be returned after the review is complete.

* Foundation Plan
* Elevations
* Floor Plan

The ***minimum*** sheet size for each of the above is 11 X 17.

All blueprints or drawings must be clearly legible and complete with dimensions.

* Site/Plot Plan

The Site/Plot Plan must include the location where the structure will be built clearly marked on the plan.

* Once the application and other required information is submitted, the review normally takes 24 to 48 hours. When the review process is complete, you will pay the assessed permit fee and the Building Permit can be issued.
* This office cannot accept debit/credit cards. Building Permit fees may be paid by check or cash. Checks should be made payable to the Marion County Trustee.
* If for any reason after issuance of the Building Permit the construction is not started and/or completed, the Building Permit fee IS NOT REFUNDABLE or transferrable.
* The Building Permit shall be construed to be a license to proceed with the work and not as authority to violate, cancel, alter or set aside any of the provisions of the technical codes, nor shall issuance of the permit prevent the Building Official from thereafter requiring a correction of errors in the plans, construction or violations of the code.
* Electrical permits are obtained separately from the State of Tennessee at core.tn.gov or contact your local utility company for guidance.

**Installation of Metal Buildings**

* Footings for metal buildings shall be of a monolithic lab style, with designed piers for bearing columns. If buildings are to be heated, slabs shall have a crushed stone base with a 6-mil vapor barrier beneath them.
* All plumbing installed in the slab shall be left exposed with a pressure test in process filled with 10’ head or 3 (three) pounds air, at the time of Inspection.

**NOTE:** Plumbing permits are required and must be pulled in our office by an individual licensed in that trade.

* Piers shall be sized to support all tributary loads. Footings shall have 2 (two), #4 continuous rebar minimum. Oversized piers shall have rebar mats to accommodate the size of pier. Where there is a conflict between the code and the design drawings, the more stringent shall apply.
* No part of the structure shall be embedded in concrete, i.e. column bases, sheathing or braces.
* Buildings over 200 Square Feet shall have embedded anchor bolts. The use of drilling and anchoring shall only be allowed in the event of missing a bolt layout, or for reinforcing.
* Metal buildings shall be installed to the manufacturer’s instructions. Drawings for the building shall be on sight at the time of Inspection.
* At the time of Inspection all bracing shall be in place.
* Metal buildings used for a commercial application shall observe all life safety codes, i.e. egress doors, exit signs, smoke alarms and sprinkler systems.

**Barns and Storage Buildings**

* Barns and storage buildings shall be permitted to use pole construction. Lumber coming in contact with the ground shall be pressure treated. Untreated wood siding shall maintain a 6” clearance from the ground.
* The diameter of the holes for posts shall be a sufficient size for the size posts, and concrete encasing the post. Hole depths shall be in proportion to the length of the post, but not less than 30”.
* Construction of barns and storage buildings shall adhere to acceptable building practices.

**Required Building Inspections for Metal Buildings, Barns and Storage Buildings**

**1. Footing Inspection:** After trenches have been opened, steel is in place and grade stakes set and termite treatment applied by a licensed professional. You must have a copy of the New Construction Subterranean Termite Service Record letter or receipt.

**IMPORTANT:** The New Construction Subterranean Termite treatment MUST BE APPLIED PRIOR TO ANY FRAMING BEGINNING.

**IMPORTANT:** Prior to any Footing Inspection the side property lines must be clearly marked with tape or the inspection will not be performed.

1. **Final Inspection:** All bracing must be in place.

**Scheduling Inspections**

To schedule an inspection, phone 423 942 3527

Requests for inspections **should not** be sent via email

email is not assessible by all office staff and the request may be missed and not scheduled.

Allow one day’s notice when scheduling an inspection. Requests for Building Inspections left on the answering machine after 4:00 P.M. CST will be considered to have been received the following business day.

Provide the following information when requesting any inspection:

* Callers name and call-back number including the area code
* Building Permit Number **IMPORTANT:** This office does not use Lot Numbers
* 9 1 1 Property Address
* Type of inspection being requested
* Gate Code/Door Code if applicable

Inspections are scheduled Monday through Friday. We are unable to provide a specific time the Building Inspector will arrive. Footing Inspections are inspected first.