

Village of Downers Grove Deck Information

PERMIT DECK REQUIREMENTS

Prior to any construction, a permit is required by the Village of Downers Grove. The 2006 International Residential Code is used for decks.

SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING TO OBTAIN A PERMIT

- **Four (4) Plats of Survey**, showing the deck location, size and dimensions to the property lines, escape window (must not block escape window), and location of above-ground main Com Ed electrical wires. Deck must be located at least ten (10) feet, in any direction, from above-ground wires which must be also indicated on plat.
- **Four (4) proposed copies of deck plans** indicating exact size and location, materials to be used, joints, beams, posts. Use pressure treated wood. Nails, bolts, and hangers should be galvanized materials.
- **Stairs** – maximum rise of 7 ¾” and a minimum tread of 10” clear of tread above. Minimum of three (3) feet wide, with post holes at base of stairs.
- **Handrails** – minimum of 36” in height, with uprights having maximum spacing which will not allow passage of an object 4” or more in diameter.
- **Pier** – depth from grade a 42” minimum and 6” above **final** grade and 10” in diameter minimum. Wood post must rest **on top of**, NOT ***in*** concrete.

Once the plans are reviewed, the General Contractor and/or Homeowner will receive a comment sheet by mail, indicating any additional information that may be needed. If additional information is required, then you must come into Village Hall – Community Development Department, correct the plans, and pay for permit before **any** work is started.

To Schedule an INSPECTION: CALL 630.434.5529

Two (2) inspections required with deck permit. Twenty-four hours notice for inspections.

1. To measure the pier depth before concrete is poured.
2. A final inspection upon completion of the deck.

NOTE:

Call J.U.L.I.E. FOR ASSISTANCE IN LOCATING UTILITIES AT 1.800.892.0123, 24 HOURS DAILY.
Call The Village of Downers Grove – Public Works @ 630.434.5460.
Call Sanitary District @ 630.969.0664.

ALLOW 48 HOURS FOR SERVICE.