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## STRUCTURAL DEMOLITION OR REMOVAL

Permit Fee: \$ 63.00

A demolition permit ensures that you are no longer assessed property taxes for a structure that has been removed. Once the county tax assessor verifies the demolition, the property may be re-assessed accordingly.

Proof of ownership is required prior to issuance of demolition permit. **Written notice from owner on record is required.**

## INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS

**REMOVAL OF STRUCTURE-** The structure and foundation, including basement walls and floors and utility systems are required to be removed. All building material remaining, after demolition, including wire, plumbing, concrete, or other material are required to be removed from the building site and taken to an approved dumpsite. Construction and demolition burning is prohibited in any area meeting the standard in OAR 340-264-0078(1).

- **OAR 340-264-0078(1)** All areas in or within three miles of the incorporated city limit of all cities with a population of 4,000 or more.

**BASEMENT AND FOUNDATION CAVITIES-** Basement and foundation cavities are required to be back-filled in six-inch lifts and compacted to prevent settlement. In areas where extensive excavation has occurred, a compaction report to be certified by a licensed engineer may be required.

**REQUEST AN INSPECTION-** After demolition all remaining material must be removed before you schedule the final inspection. Inspections are required prior to back fill of basement areas, if applicable, and after the structure is completely removed from the site and the area is cleared of debris.

**Call the inspection line at 1-888-299-2821 at least 24 hours in advance or use the smart phone app to schedule for an inspection to verify structure removal. You will need a 12-digit "IVR number" to call for an inspection.** This number can be found near the bottom of your permit under "Scheduling Inspections".

## DEMOLITION REQUIREMENTS

**The following requirements are the responsibility of the property owner and are not verified by this permit:**

**ASBESTOS-** Before any demolition activities begin, an asbestos survey performed by an accredited inspector is required to identify any asbestos materials in and on any public or private structure. A contractor licensed by DEQ in asbestos removal is responsible for safely removing all friable asbestos-containing material and disposing it at an authorized landfill, in compliance with DEQ. Contact DEQ at 541-276-4063 or visit their website at <https://oregon.gov/deq/Hazards-and-Cleanup/Pages/Asbestos-Information.aspx>.

***Asbestos in a damaged state can cause health problems. Items that commonly contain asbestos include: popcorn ceiling texture, cement siding and vinyl flooring, insulated furnace ducts, wood stove door gaskets, asbestos cement roofing and panels, patching and joint compounds, textured paints and house insulation (other than fiberglass insulation) This is not a complete list. Contact DEQ for more information.***

**OTHER UTILITIES-** Water, gas and other utility lines must be removed and capped at the service entrance to the property. Utility companies must also be contacted to terminate services to the site.

**OTHER CONSIDERATIONS-** If demolition occurs in areas where pedestrians may be present, suitable barriers and other protective measures must be provided and approved by the building official. In the event demolition will interrupt or interfere with the traffic flow on an adjoining street or public right of way, adequate signs and traffic controls must be provided and approved by the Street Superintendent. A right of way permit will need to be applied for.

Be in compliance with §92.12 of the Hermiston Code of Ordinance; *(A) For purposes of this section, dust includes but is not limited to dust, sand, dirt or similar material. No person responsible, who disturbs land, including, but not limited to, clearing, grading, grubbing, excavating, filling, landscaping, or erecting buildings, or allows, contracts for, or directs the disturbance of the land, shall cause or permit dust to blow from the disturbed land site to other real property, including streets and dry wells in sufficient quantities and of such characteristics and duration as to be inconvenient, annoying, or injurious to human health, plant or animal life, or property.*

The entire ordinance can be found here

<https://www.codepublishing.com/OR/Hermiston/#!/Hermiston09/Hermiston0992.html#92.12>