

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE



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Dear Energy Rebate Program Participant,

We are pleased that you are taking steps to make your home more energy efficient.

As the homeowner, you are entitled to perform much of the upgrade yourself, or you may elect to use a licensed, bonded, contractor. Either way, it's our job to make certain your energy upgrades are installed safely and in a manner that meets the requirements of the applicable codes and the manufacturer's installation instructions. That's why we must advise you that certain modifications you may be planning to make to your home may require a permit and inspection from the Municipality of Anchorage Development Services Department.

Here are some examples:

- Installation or replacement of a fuel-fired appliance such as a boiler, furnace water heater, combination boiler/water heater, unit heater, or decorative fireplace.
- Installation or replacement of exhaust duct serving a bathroom exhaust fan, kitchen hood, or clothes dryer exhaust.
- Installation or replacement of a window that requires the opening to be framed larger than what was previously there.
- Replacement of a roof
- Any installation that requires new electrical wiring such as the installation or relocation of an outlet or installation of any equipment that requires being hard-wired.

This type of work can only be performed by the homeowner that resides on the property or a licensed contractor that is specifically licensed for the job at hand. For example, a boiler shall be installed by a licensed plumbing or mechanical contractor. Electrical work shall be performed by a licensed electrical contractor.

If you are uncertain whether a permit and inspection are required or if a contractor you are thinking about hiring is licensed to perform the work, please call the Development Services Department at 343-8211. Our engineers and inspectors will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Sharen Walsh, Building Official