Building and Zoning

New Construction

You will need a Building Permit for the construction of a new home. Please follow the instruction listed below.

If you require further assistance, please call Building and Zoning at (401) 728-2400 Extension 141.

Please DO NOT e-mail drawings to Building and Zoning. Only hardcopy drawings will be accepted.

1. Complete Building Permit Application
   a. Online application – click [here](#).
   b. In person – Building and Zoning, Cumberland Town Hall, 2nd floor, 45 Broad Street, Cumberland RI 02864

2. Submit four (4) copies of your building plans to the Cumberland Fire Department located at 3502 Mendon Rd, Cumberland RI 02864.

3. Go to Building and Zoning counter, please complete the routing sheet.

4. Bring the following full-scale drawings (no pdfs) to Public Works for review of erosion and site plans.
   a. Three (3) copies of building plans STAMPED by the Cumberland Fire Department
   b. Two (2) copies of your site plan with set-backs clearly marked
   c. Two (2) copies of soil erosion control plans
   d. ISDS plan (septic), as needed
   e. Curb cut permit from the state if access to building will via a state road
      i. Building and Zoning will notify you if a Cumberland curb cut application is required.
   f. LVL calculation, I-join specifications, truss roof specifications (if needed) MUST be included.

5. Public Works will forward the complete packet to Building and Zoning once site and erosion plans have been reviewed and approved.

A Building Permit will NOT be issued until all documents listed above are completed and submitted and approved by Public Works and Building and Zoning.

You will receive a Building Permit within fifteen (15) business days after the receipt of a COMPLETE application.