



NOTICE

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New Building Permit Review Timelines

Effective March 1, 2021 the Department of Planning and Growth Management will be implementing new Permit Processing timeframes.

In October 2018, PGM moved to a new online permitting system. Over the past two years they have analyzed how the system has impacted the way in which their work is conducted and as such, are implementing new permit review timeframes that will ensure quality and timely reviews of building permits.

Effective March 1st:

- All residential permits will change from the current fourteen (14) calendar day review to a six (6) business day review period. This includes permits that currently qualify as a Same Day Permit. Same Day Permits will no longer be offered.
- Residential permits in the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area will be subject to an eight (8) business day review period.
- All commercial permits will change from the current twenty-one (21) calendar day review to a fifteen (15) business day review period.

Applications will continue to be accepted 24 hours a day, seven days a week through the Citizens Self Service Portal. Questions and comments can be direct to Cathy Reisinger, Chief of Administrative Operations at Reisingc@charlescountymd.gov. The department will continue to analyze their building permit services and hope to deliver more efficiencies in the future that will have a positive impact to their customers.