

HOMES WITH DAMAGE LESS THAN 50% OF THE PRE-SANDY ASSESSED VALUE

Fortunately a fair amount of homes in the Borough did not suffer serious damage and many homeowners are anxious to move forward with repairs. Repairs can and should be done, but they need to be done inline with current building codes.

PERMITS:

Please remember that most work needs Permits. The table below outlines what you need permits for and what you do not.

PERMITS NOT NEEDED	PERMITS NEEDED
<u>Non-structural repairs</u> – minor interior and exterior including replacement of plaster or gypsum board walls (up to 4ft.), bathroom tiles, hardwood flooring etc.	<u>Electric:</u> wiring, panels, a/c disconnects, meter pans, new circuits, temporary poles, etc.
<u>Cosmetic repair work</u> -- roof shingle repair or replacement, flashing repair or replacement, siding, gutter repair or replacement, window repair or direct replacement.	<u>Plumbing:</u> Air conditioners, furnace, water heater, boiler, gas piping, water piping, sewer piping
<u>Electric:</u> Direct replacement of electrical outlets lights and switches.	<u>Building:</u> ductwork, roof replacement, window and interior doorway headers; ceiling and floor beams; sub-floors; (not including hardwood floors) main girders; exterior wall framing; interior bearing walls and framing; foundation walls; chimneys; retaining walls; steps, landings, guards, handrails.

For work to other than your primary structure, please refer to existing borough land use procedures (insert link here).

CAUTION: New flood elevations have been issued by FEMA. The Planning Board is still drafting recommendations incorporating those guidelines. You are proceeding at your own risk if you decide to have equipment installed or repairs done prior to the final recommendations and Borough adoption of those guidelines.

Please note, the DEADLINE for repair permits with waived fees is May 1st. After that, regular fees will apply.

Permit applications can be obtained at the Construction Department in Borough Hall, 340 Drum Point Road (Yogi Plaza) 2nd Floor, Brick, NJ.

There will be no fee for permits to restore the damaged portion of your primary structure.

There will be a fee for permits where something is not direct replacement of like items in same place.

Permits must be obtained PRIOR to beginning work. Permit documents are issued to the owner or contractor. Simply filing the application does not mean the permit was approved and issued.

Applications should be submitted as a complete package, not for each category individually. The package should include: Permit Jacket, Subcode Technical cards completed by licensed / registered contractors, along with other supporting documents such as engineer / architect letters, photos and sealed plans (2 copies) where necessary. Incomplete forms can cause additional delays.

If work has begun without permits, have your contractor file immediately. Without the permit, inspections cannot be conducted and delays and difficulties should be anticipated.

EMERGENCY WORK WITHOUT PERMIT:

If work has been performed without a permit, the application **MUST BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY**. Be advised that all work requiring a permit also requires an inspection. If not in plain view, you may be required to make the repairs visible. This may include removal of wallboard.

UTILITY SPECIFIC WORK:

ELECTRIC:

If there was no damage to your electrical system, your electrician needs to write a letter to the Construction Office to provide verification (click here for sample letter). The Construction Office will verify and notify JCPL. JCPL will energize the lines according to their schedule. We have no influence over the timing of this, so please be patient.

If there was damage to your electrical system, your electrician will have to obtain permits to repair the damaged lines, panels, circuits, meter pans, etc. Once this work is finished, your contractor must call to schedule an inspection with the Construction Office. When the Construction Office determines your electrical system can be restored, JCPL will be notified so that your power can be restored.

GAS:

NJNG has begun inspecting each home and testing the lines from the street to the meter. Once that portion is deemed acceptable, they will connect the line to the meter and place a white tag on the meter (no connection to the house will be made at that time).

IF YOU DID NOT SUSTAIN ANY DAMAGE TO ANY GAS pipes, appliances, etc., a NJ licensed plumbing contractor must inspect and test the system and certify you're your home is undamaged and ready to be energized by signing the white tag. The tag must be taken to the Construction Office along with the plumber's license number, name and phone number. An inspection will then be scheduled and performed by the Construction Office, at the earliest opportunity. If you pass inspection, your plumber may complete the connection once an approval sticker is placed on the meter.

IF YOU SUSTAINED DAMAGE TO GAS pipes, water heaters, boilers, appliances, BBQ grills, etc. repair work must be performed by a NJ Licensed Plumbing Contractor after a Permit has been issued. Once the work is completed, your contractor will request an inspection with the Construction Office. The inspector will make a visual field inspection, and will leave an approval sticker on the meter notifying your contractor that the gas connection can now be made.

IF YOUR METER DOES NOT HAVE A TAG, OR IF YOU NEED NEW SERVICE
Call NJNG at 800-221-0051.

WATER AND SEWER

We have advised the Water Company not to turn on any water until our sanitary sewer system is up and running.

The protocol for restoring water and sewer in individual homes will be made available at a later date. This protocol will be established by the Boro Engineer and we will advise you as soon as it is available.

Contractors are asked to not clear lines by forcing sand and debris back into the main sewer lines. This could have severe adverse effects on our Boro's already limited system.