

This website is an on-line system under which a residential builder or a third party inspector doing inspections for the builder may give notice to Harris County after final inspection. The System allows builders and inspectors to obtain a user names and password, and by using the Permit Number given in association with submission of the Development Permit Application, to provide the date of each inspection occurred and indicate whether or not the inspection showed compliance with the building code standards applicable to each inspection. In order to reduce confusion this system was designed to closely mimic TRCCs process of inspection notification.

All residential construction permitted in Harris County after September 1st 2009 is required to comply with the requirements of this notification process.

FAQ's for Harris County Residential Inspections

1- Who can perform residential inspections in Harris County?

Residential builders can contract with the following to conduct inspections:

- a licensed professional engineer
- a registered architect
- a residential inspector licensed by Texas Real Estate Commission (TREC)
- a plumbing inspector licensed by Texas Board of Plumbing Examiners
- a building inspector employed by a political subdivision
- an ICC certified Residential Combination Inspector(bldg, electrical, mechanical, plumbing)

2- Do I have to live in Harris County, to perform residential inspections?

No,

Any inspector that meets the criteria listed above can do the inspections.

3- Do I need to pay any fees to conduct residential inspections?

No,

Harris County does not collect any fees for inspectors to conduct or register inspections.

4- Do I need to register with Harris County to do residential inspections?

Yes,

You must log on to Harris County Inspections website to obtain a login and password, to be able to register each inspection online.

(<https://www.eng.hctx.net/permits/bldgcodes/Default.aspx>)

5- How many inspections do I need to perform on a house?

A minimum of three inspections shall be done during construction:

- a foundation inspection, before placement of concrete
- a framing & mechanical system inspection, before drywall install
- a final inspection, on completion of residence

6- Do I need to file the inspection results with Harris County?

Yes,

An inspections website has been set up by Harris County for you to enter Inspections results online.

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7. Who can register for a username and password?

Residential Builders and Inspectors

8. Who can give notice to Harris County that an inspection occurred?

The Permitted Builder or Inspector

9. Where do I get the permit number for the construction I just inspected?

The builder will provide the inspector with the permit number?

10. I just inspected a residential construction; do I or the builder log in to notify Harris County?

It is up to the builder to determine who notifies Harris County on the website.

11. I just inspected a structure that was permitted in August 2009, do I need to provide notice to Harris County?

No, only residential structures permitted on or after September 1st 2009 will require notification to Harris County.

12. Can I provide notice of an inspection by any other means than the website?

No, the website is the only means a builder or inspector can provide notice to Harris County.

13. What are the Harris County Inspection Forms used for?

This form was created for in the field use for inspectors to easily collect data that is required to be transposed to our website.