



**CLARK COUNTY PLANNING  
& ZONING  
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## **REQUIREMENTS FOR PERMITS IN A FLOODPLAIN**

**FLOODWAYS: Floodway construction sites MUST have an Indiana Department of Natural Resources Permit, or approval letter, or follow exception IC 14-28-1-24 (B) (2)**

### Residential Buildings:

- \*DNR or approval letter
- \*Elevation certificates: We require a pre-construction certificate and a finished construction certificate. We also recommend your surveyor to mark the BFE on site for the contractor to use as a reference.
- \*Flood venting is required and any crawl space fill shall be equal or greater than the finished grade.
- \*DNR permit or approval letter
- \*The lowest floor level must be 2 feet above (BFE).
- \*Sewer tap or Health Department approval letter
- \*Blueprints or size & dimensions of the building
- \*Copy of deed or legal description
- \*Site plan of property showing new construction
- \*Special exception maybe used under some conditions.  
{see IC 14-28-1-24 (B) (2)}

### Accessory Buildings:

- \*DNR permit or approval letter
- \*Elevation certificates: We require a pre-construction certificate and a finished construction certificate. We also recommend your surveyor to mark the BFE on site for the contractor to use as a reference.
- \*A variance is required for a building greater than 400 sq. ft. if not elevated 2 feet above the BFE.
- \*Flood venting is required and any crawl space fill shall be equal or greater than the finished grade.
- \*Blueprints or size & dimensions of the building
- \*Copy of deed or legal description
- \*Site plan of property showing new construction

Commercial Buildings:

- \*DNR permit or approval letter
- \*State construction design release
- \*Elevation certificates: We require a pre-construction certificate and a finished construction certificate. We also recommend your surveyor to mark the BFE on site for the contractor to use as a reference.
- \*A variance is required for a building greater than 400 sq. ft. if not elevated 2 feet above the (BFE).
- \*Sewer tap or Health Department approval letter
- \*Building blueprints signed by engineer
- \*Site plan of property showing new construction

The Clark County Floodplain Ordinance can be found on the Planning and Zoning webpage at [www.co.clark.in.us](http://www.co.clark.in.us). Please refer to this ordinance when regarding the floodplain and refer any questions to the following contact:

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The following links will assist you in all floodplain matters:

[www.dnrmaps.dnr.in.gov](http://www.dnrmaps.dnr.in.gov) – Department of Natural Resources Flood Mapping

[www.msc.fema.gov](http://www.msc.fema.gov) – Federal Emergency Management Agency website

[www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov) - Flood insurance information