

Building Safety

Building Inspector I, II or III BS/07-410, 411, 412

JOB SUMMARY

This position is responsible for participating in residential building inspection activities in accordance with certifications attained. An incumbent in this position may be designated a Building Inspector I, II or III.

MAJOR DUTIES

- 1. Reads and interprets trade and certification specific residential construction documents and plan and specifications for comparison and code compliance to as-built on-site field construction conditions.
- 2. Documents and maintains accurate records trade and certification specific residential inspections, actions taken, and regulatory efforts; prepares written reports and correspondence.
- 3. Meets and confers with contractors, builders, design professionals, and the general public to address concerns, code questions or building requirements, alternatives, and policies and procedures.
- 4. Performs professional trade and/or certification inspections of new, existing, and damaged residential and commercial structures for conformance to codes, amendments, ordinances, regulations, specifications, and standards.
- 5. Assesses damages to residential and commercial structures from disasters caused by fire, flood, tornados, vehicular impact or other natural or man-made event to determine immediate hazards that jeopardize public safety; prepares disaster assessment reports and posts property to limit or restrict access based on hazard in a limited capacity.
- 6. Maintains required CEUs to keep ICC certifications current.
- 7. Operates and maintains a motor vehicle, assigned tools and materials.
- 8. Retrieves open records request documents from storage.
- 9. Issues Certificates of Occupancy for residential construction depending on experience and certifications attained.
- 10. Performs other related duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED BY THE POSITION

- 1. Knowledge of laws, ordinances, construction codes, policies, standards, and regulations related to the job.
- 2. Knowledge of safety processes and procedures.
- 3. Knowledge of computers and job-related software programs.
- 4. Skill in the safe operation of a motor vehicle.
- 5. Skill in the completion of mathematical calculations.
- 6. Skill in interpreting complex information and in conveying it to others in an accurate, complete, and understandable manner.
- 7. Skill in the provision of customer services.
- 8. Skill in operating various types of tools and equipment.
- 9. Skill in oral and written communication.

SUPERVISORY CONTROLS

The Assistant Building Safety Director or Senior Building Inspector assigns work in terms of general instructions. The supervisor spot-checks completed work for compliance with procedures, accuracy, and the nature and propriety of the final results.

GUIDELINES

Guidelines include the county code, the Policy and Procedures Manual, the Administration Manual, the zoning ordinance, Georgia Model Manufactured Home Installation Guidelines, the Wood Frame Construction Manual,

manufacturers' installation instructions, the county employee handbook, Department of Community Affairs

Amendments, and department policies and procedures. These guidelines require judgment, selection, and interpretation in application.

COMPLEXITY/SCOPE OF WORK

- The work consists of varied inspection duties. Strict guidelines contribute to the complexity of the position.
- The purpose of this position is to participate in building inspections. Success in this position results in the enforcement of codes, ordinances, amendments, and work processes and procedures.

CONTACTS

- Contacts are typically with co-workers, developers, contractors, homeowners, environmental health professionals, fire and emergency personnel, and members of the general public.
- Contacts are typically to give or exchange information; resolve problems; provide services; or justify, defend, negotiate, or settle matters.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS/ WORK ENVIRONMENT

- The work is typically performed while intermittently standing, walking, bending, crouching, or stooping. The
 employee occasionally lifts light and occasionally heavy objects, climbs ladders, and uses tools or equipment
 requiring a high degree of dexterity.
- The work is typically performed in an office and outdoors. The employee may be exposed to noise, dust, dirt, grease, machinery with moving parts, contagious or infectious diseases, irritating chemicals, and occasional cold or inclement weather.

SUPERVISORY AND MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY

None.

SPECIAL CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSES

- Possession of a valid State of Georgia driver's license (Class C) and a satisfactory Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) in compliance with County Safety and Loss Control Guidelines. Completion of the State of Georgia Department of Transportation Defensive Driving Course and/or Emergency Vehicle Operation Certification within twelve (12) months of employment.
- Must obtain Georgia Soil and Water Conservation Commission Level 1B Qualified Inspector certification within six (6) months of employment.
- **Building Inspector I**: Possession of one valid/current certification from the International Code Council (ICC) as a Residential (Building, Electrical, Mechanical, or Plumbing) Inspector within 6 months of employment.
- **Building Inspector II**: Possession of a valid/current certification from the International Code Council (ICC) as a Residential Combination Inspector.
- **Building Inspector III**: Possession of one additional valid/current Commercial Inspector Certification from the ICC in any of the following disciplines: Building, Electrical, Mechanical, or Plumbing.

ADA COMPLIANCE

Fayette County is an Equal Opportunity Employer. ADA requires the County to provide reasonable
accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities. Prospective and current employees are invited to
discuss accommodations.

HIPAA COMPLIANCE

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as amended, requires employees to protect
the security of Protected Health Information (PHI) however it is obtained, handled, learned, heard or viewed in
the course of their work.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL COMPLIANCE

• In accordance of Fayette County's Substance Abuse Policy of 1996, as amended, all job applicants offered employment will undergo testing for the presence of illegal drugs and alcohol as a condition of employment. In the course of employment, employees are subject to random, reasonable suspicion, post-accident, and routine fitness for duty testing for illegal drugs and alcohol abuse. Employees are prohibited to work under the influence, to possess, to distribute, or to sell illegal drugs in the workplace or abuse alcohol on the job. Confirmed positive is reason for denial of employment and/or termination.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Knowledge and level of competency commonly associated with completion of specialized training in the field of work, in addition to basic skills typically associated with a high school education.
- Sufficient experience to understand the basic principles relevant to the major duties of the position, usually
 associated with work experience in the construction trades or having had a similar position for one to two
 years.
- Possession of a valid driver's licenses issued by the State of Georgia for the type of vehicle or equipment operated.