

Affidavit for Demolition of a Structure

City of Salem, Virginia
Community Development
Building Inspections

This form must be completed and signed by the property owner or owner's agent prior to the issuance of a demolition permit for a structure.

The applicant is required to provide written verification from the utility company(s) that the electric, gas, sewer or water has been properly disconnected. Otherwise, the applicant shall certify that no utilities have ever served the structure. By signing this affidavit, you are affirming that either the attached written utility disconnection verification is accurate, or that the structure has not ever been served by electricity, gas, water, or sewer to the best of your knowledge.

I, _____, am the property owner/owner's agent and I understand this affidavit is signed and submitted as a true and accurate verification that no utilities are connected to the structure located at the address below. This structure is to be demolished and I accept full responsibility of the work performed at the following address:

Signature of Owner/Owner's agent:

_____ Date: _____

Residential and Commercial

Additional Required Documentation:

- A signed and completed building permit application.
- A copy of the site plan or physical survey of the property.
- If the building was built prior to 1985, a letter of asbestos inspection conducted by a certified asbestos abatement company is required. This does not apply to single family dwellings or residential housing with four or fewer units unless the demolition of such buildings is for commercial or public development purposes.

Demolition Requirements:

- Removal of all footings, foundations, sidewalks and hauled off-site. If sidewalks to be reused, this must be indicated on site plans.
- Dust control must be implemented to avoid disturbing nearby properties.
- The area where the footprint of the building is located must be stabilized, i.e. seed and straw, or hydro-seeding, etc.
- Any grading outside the footprint of the building may require additional permitting. Please contact City of Salem Engineering for further info.

If you have questions, please call the Community Development Office at 540.375.3036.