



Montgomery County Central Permitting *Inspections Department*

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Power Reconnect Checklist

If your power has been shut off to your structure, you will need to purchase a power reconnection permit from the Montgomery County Inspections Office. The Electrical Inspector will perform an inspection of the building to determine if it meets specific requirements to authorize reconnection to the power grid. If the structure passes inspection, the Electrical Inspector will leave a yellow square sticker on your power meter box. You are responsible for contacting your power company to notify them that the inspection has been completed and your structure is approved for reconnection. Please review the checklist below to ensure your structure will pass inspection. Please note that this is not a comprehensive list:

- No open electrical receptacles.
- No loose wiring from light fixtures or outlets.
- No openings in the interior electrical panel box, or exterior panels.
- All breakers in electrical panel boxes must be in place and in good working order.
- All circuits in the electrical panel must be labeled.
- The building must be structurally sound. Leaking roofs must be repaired.
- A smoke detector must be located inside and outside of each bedroom.
- If the structure utilizes a fuel burning appliance such as a gas hot water heater or gas furnace and a bedroom is located on the same floor as the appliance, the structure will require a carbon monoxide detector to be installed.
- The structure must have a 911 address posted outside. This address must be at least 4 inches tall.
- If the structure utilizes overhead power, the weather head, conduit, and meter base must be in good condition and meet national electric code.
- If the structure utilizes underground power, the riser must be in good condition and meet national electric code.

If you do not understand the requirements above, it is strongly suggested that you hire a licensed electrician to prepare the structure for inspection. Please ensure the above items haven been completed prior to scheduling an inspection as electrical reconnect permit fees only cover costs for a single inspection. A re-inspection fee may be assessed for additional inspections.

PLEASE NOTE: The Electrical Inspector will need access to the INSIDE of the structure to be reconnected! If the Inspector cannot access the structure, they cannot complete the inspection!