STATE BUILDING CODE INTERPRETATION NO. I-05-09

May 21, 2009

The following is being offered in response to your letter in which you seek a formal interpretation. The question would apply to building permits.

Question:

Does the replacement of a hardwired appliance need a building permit and inspection, and if the work is done by other than the homeowner, is a licensed contractor required to do the work?

Answer:

The replacement of a hardwired electrical appliance requires a building permit and the related inspections. Section 105.2, of the 2003 International Building Code portion of the 2005 State Building Code, addresses when a permit is required and related exemptions.

The licensing requirements for contractors, design professionals, etc., are regulated by the State of Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection and questions regarding their licensing issues can be directed to them. Connecticut General Statute #20-340 addresses exemptions from licensing requirements.