



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 5180:2-9-34 Building approval.

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(A) When is a residential facility to secure a building approval and occupancy permit?

A residential facility is to secure a building approval and occupancy permit pursuant to section 3781.10 of the Revised Code:

- (1) Prior to initial certification.
- (2) At the time of any major modification or alteration of any existing structure, unless the structure will no longer be in use.
- (3) As required by the Ohio department of commerce (DOC) or from a county or municipal building department certified by the DOC to inspect and approve the building code use group applicable to the residential facility .

(B) Who can issue the building approval and occupancy permit for a residential facility?

Building approvals and occupancy permits are to be secured from either:

- (1) The Ohio department of commerce.
- (2) A county or municipal building department certified by the DOC to inspect and approve the building code use group applicable to the residential facility.

(C) What are the compliance requirements for residential facilities regarding building codes?

Each residential facility is to maintain compliance with all local and state building codes and ordinances including:



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(2) The residential facility is to comply with any stipulations or limitations noted on the certificate of occupancy.

(3) Any modifications that would otherwise need a plan approval as outlined by the rules of the Ohio board of building standards.

(D) What zoning requirements must a residential facility adhere to?

Pursuant to section 5103.05 of the Revised Code, the residential facility is to maintain all applicable local planning and zoning requirements.