



**LAKE COUNTY BUILDING DEPARTMENT**  
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## **SUBMITTING FOR A COMMERCIAL BUILDING PERMIT Page 1 of 2**

1. **SUBMIT (1) ONE COMPLETE SET OF PLANS**, specifications, and data for commercial and/or industrial construction sealed by a State of Ohio Registered Design Professional, along with a completed Application for Commercial Building Permit Plan Review.
  - A. All submittals must include ONE complete set of drawings, in accordance with Section 106 of the 2011 Ohio Building Code (OBC), including site plan, elevations, floor plans, elevator enclosures, complete wall sections showing footer, foundation, floor, walls, and roof construction indicating all structural members, size, spacing, material, etc. Mechanical, Electrical, and Energy Efficiency drawings and specifications must be included. The name and address of author shall be plainly printed in the lower right hand corner of all plans or drawings. The job site address shall appear on all sheets/pages of the set of plans. Each sheet/page of the set of plans shall be identified by sheet number.
2. Buildings or structures located in flood hazard areas must contact the Lake County Engineer's Office before applying for a building permit.
3. All plans submitted shall bear sufficient information to determine compliance with the OBC. Drawings shall also clearly indicate the principle use or occupancy of the building or structure. Where more than one type of use or occupancy is intended, the location and floor area for such uses or occupancies shall be clearly shown on plans. Spaces shall be identified by appropriate code appellations (use).
4. **FIRE AUTHORITY (for commercial and / or industrial construction)** - Pursuant to the 2011 OBC, Section 106: 106.1.2(5), if you are submitting drawings to the Lake County Building Department for a commercial permit applicant, you must also immediately submit one additional set of construction documents and the Local Fire Department Submittal Form supplied by the Building Department to the local Fire Official for approval. The Submittal Form, completed by the local Fire Official, must be returned to the Building Department before the building permit will be issued.
5. **ZONING PERMIT** - Check with the local zoning inspector for requirements. Bring a copy of the zoning permit to the Building Dept.
6. **SITE PLANS FOR OTHER AGENCIES** - Submit required number of site plans to the local zoning inspector, Lake County Soil & Water, Lake County Engineer/Stormwater Management, Lake County Health District, and the Lake County Utilities for approvals, as necessary.
7. **WATER SUPPLY (for new structures)** - If public water is not available, the applicant must supply acceptable evidence that an adequate supply of potable water is available. A well log approved by the Lake County Health District will be acceptable.



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8. **SANITARY SEWERS/ SEPTIC SYSTEMS** - If public sanitary sewers are not accessible, an individual disposal system must be installed in accordance with the Ohio State and County Health Departments' requirements. Contact the Lake County Health District or the EPA office. If a septic system is to be installed, the Lake County Health District (See Item # 11) must approve and stamp the grade/site plan.
9. **LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES SEWER & WATER AVAILABILITY NOTICE FORM (for new structures)** – signed by the Lake County Utilities Department.
10. **LAKE COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT** - Submit a copy of the Approval Letter from the Lake County Soil and Water District if applicable.
11. **LAKE COUNTY ENGINEER / STORMWATER MANAGEMENT DEPT** – Approval stamped on site plan (See Item # 12) if applicable.
12. **SUBMIT A SITE PLAN** with all required approvals **ON ONE SITE PLAN**: Lake County Engineers / Stormwater Management or your Local Jurisdiction Engineer, Lake County Soil & Water District, and the Lake County Health Department, if applicable.
13. **REVISED / AMENDED DOCUMENTS / INFORMATION SUBMITTED MUST INCLUDE (1) ONE COMPLETE SET** sealed by a State of Ohio Registered Design Professional, specifications, and data for commercial and/or industrial construction, along with a completed Application for Commercial Building Permit Plan Review.
14. **STATE 3% PERCENT FEE**: Pursuant to 3781.102 (F) (1) of the Ohio Revised Code all commercial permits and plan reviews shall be charged a 3% state tax.

**PLUMBING PERMITS** must be obtained from the Lake County General Health District, 33 Mill Street, Painesville, Ohio Tel: 440-350-2543.