



Pierce County

Department of Planning and Land Services

Industry Notice New Requirements for Truss Layout Plans

We are experiencing issues in the field that are resulting in increased costs and delays to the contractor and home owner.

It has become all too common that, upon field inspection, design revisions are needed requiring replacement of headers and beams, and/or the addition of footings. **As this has become a systemic issue, the Building Official has decided that truss layout plans must be provided at time of building permit application for all new buildings starting January 1, 2017.**

We believe this will save time and costly field changes for the applicant during construction. The truss layout plans need to include:

- Truss layout schematic, and
- Detailed truss specifications

Untethered Sky Lanterns are now Illegal!



The 2015 International Fire Code has mandated that untethered sky lanterns are now illegal. A sky lantern is a small hot air balloon with an opening at the bottom where a small fire is suspended. They are sometimes launched during celebrations or memorials. If you would like more information regarding sky lanterns, please contact Fire Prevention at 253-798-7179 or pcfIREprevention@co.pierce.wa.us.

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