

Virtual Inspection Policy
Effective 4/6/2020

In our continued effort to reduce the spread of COVID-19, the York County Building Safety office will temporarily be conducting virtual inspections. Please refer to the following chart to determine what type of inspection you may receive:

***VIRTUAL**

Building	Electrical	Plumbing	Mechanical
Footing Slab Insulation Final (Res. ONLY)	Trench Slab Final (Res. ONLY)	Final (Res. ONLY)	Final (Res. ONLY)

***SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY INSPECTOR. ALL OCCUPIED DWELLING INTERIOR INSPECTIONS WILL BE VIRTUAL.**

Requirements

1. Virtual inspections are to be considered for all trades. Some inspections may be too complex to be done virtually. Complexity is to be determined by the inspector. Please ask your inspector prior to scheduling for clarification.
2. The permit holder will be required to have a tablet or mobile phone connected to WiFi or LTE network.
3. The device must be loaded with Google Duo (all devices) or FaceTime (iPhone/iPad). Check your mobile devices app store to install these applications.
4. If the inspection cannot be completed virtually or in-person, the Building official may allow third-party inspections by an approved agency. Contact the Building Official for information regarding third-party inspections.

Procedure

1. Schedule your inspection by calling (757) 890-3910 or by visiting yorkcounty.gov/buildingsafety.
2. Prepare for your inspection by having tools required for inspection readily available. (for example: GFCI tester, tape measure, flashlight, level, ladder etc.) Contact your inspector for more direction on items needed to complete inspections.
3. Contact your inspector and provide the address, inspection type and phone number or email needed to connect via the video application selected. Your inspector will schedule a time for you to conduct your virtual inspection.
4. Accept the call from your inspector when called at the scheduled time.
5. Walk through your inspection with your device. Please ensure the device is charged enough to complete the inspection without interruption. You must be willing to accept any direction given by the inspector. **All inspections will begin at street view to verify address.**
6. Make note of any deficiencies identified for correction.
7. Email notification will be provided by the inspector upon completion of the inspection.