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# CITY OF NEW CASTLE INSPECTIONS

*Required by the New Castle Building Commission*

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## **When is an inspection required?**

- Connecting a new service
  - Including temporary service
  - Including construction installations
- Reconnecting an existing service
  - After any work has been performed
  - If a service has been disconnected and inactive
  - Following a house fire

## **What else do I need to know?**

- There are no exemptions including for agricultural accounts.
- There is a minimum fee of \$55 per inspection. In some instances that fee may be greater.
- The turnaround time is expected to be about one business day.
- Disconnects for utility purposes (non-pay, meter change, etc.) do not require a new inspection to take place.
- Pulling your own meter, or having an electrician pull your meter, will result in a tamper fee from HCREMC. Do not do this. Call HCREMC at 1-800-248-8413 if you need a connect or reconnect.

## **How do I apply for the permit?**

- Contact the New Castle Building Commissioner at 765-521-6823
- The current Building Inspector is Kenny Melton at [KennyMelton@cityofnewcastle.net](mailto:KennyMelton@cityofnewcastle.net)

## **What is required?**

- To pass inspection the service entrance equipment must meet the requirements of the National Electrical Code as enforced by the Building Inspector.
- You may be required to bring existing equipment up to code prior to being reconnected.
- Common issues that need remedied can include double-lugged services, improper grounding, using schedule 80 or rigid steel conduit on risers, and the absence of a required disconnect.

## **Can I get around this?**

- No. Henry County REMC employees do not have the authority to make you exempt from government requirements.
- Henry County REMC strives to provide safe and reliable electrical service and encourage members to use qualified electricians to perform work on their equipment.
- Questions on county inspections and other requirements should be directed to the Henry County Planning & Zoning Office at 765-529-7408.