



COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND SAFETY



User Guide for Inspecting Permit Requirements Relating to REPLACE WATER HEATER

PERMIT LIMITATION: This permit is only for a single inspection for water heater replacement. (If water heater is to be relocated and new gas piping installed, please check on the attached permit application both "Replace Water Heater" and "Miscellaneous Plumbing").

PERMIT APPLICATION: The owner or contractor must complete and sign "Application to Construct Worksheet" (Form No. 284-199) and return to counter technician. If applying by mail, the owner or contractor must complete and sign "Mail-In Permit Application" (Form No. 284-199A) and return to the Department of Building and Safety at the address listed below.

INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS: The following requirements listed below, but not limited to, will be verified at inspection.

1. Access shall be provided on the date for which inspection is requested.
2. Address of the property shall be conspicuously posted.
3. Job card shall be posted on or adjacent to the water heater.
4. Replacement water heater shall bear the label of an approved testing agency nationally recognized and as a listed appliance with the California Energy Commission.
5. Installation of seismic straps and pressure relief valve with proper pipe termination.
6. Required combustion air and proper venting system.
7. New gas piping shall be installed with approved/listed materials and air pressure tested with minimum 10 PSI for 15 minutes. (Test gauge is required to be in place and pressurize with air for the inspection).
8. Hot water piping shall be insulated with minimum R-4 the first five feet (5') from the water heater.

NOTE: Failure to provide the above listed requirements at inspection may necessitate the applicant to pay a reinspection fee.

If additional information is desired regarding this permit, please contact our Regional Office.