

**FORM #806**

**INFORMATIONAL  
SHEET**



**COUNTY BUILDING  
AND  
SAFETY DIVISION**

Pottawattamie County  
Planning & Development Department  
223 South 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Council Bluffs, IA 51501  
712-328-5847  
[www.pottcounty.com](http://www.pottcounty.com)

## Codes

County maintains and has adopted the current State of Iowa Building Code(s) as follows:

2015 International Building Code  
2015 International Residential Code  
2012 International Mechanical Code  
2012 Uniform Plumbing Code  
2014 National Electrical Code  
2012 International Fuel Gas Code  
2009 International Existing Building Code  
2012 International Energy Conservation Code  
2012 International Property Maintenance Code  
2010 ADA Standards

*(With State & Local amendments and codes as pertinent)*

## County Design Criteria

Ground Snow Load: 30 pounds psf  
Wind Speed: 115mph/3-sec.  
gust  
Exposure Classification: C  
Seismic Design Category: B  
Weathering Probability: Severe  
Frost Line Depth: 42-inches  
Termites: Moderate to Heavy  
Decay: Slight to Moderate  
Winter Design  
Temperature: -5°  
Flood Hazards: April 16, 2013 Map

## County Website

County Permit applications are available online.

Visit our website at [www.pottcounty.com](http://www.pottcounty.com)

How to navigate to the various Applications, Forms, Brochures and Handouts

- County Home Page
- Departments
- Planning and Development
- Link for **APPLICATIONS** is on the left

## Iowa One Call



Call 1-800-292-8989 OR 811

[www.iowaonecall.com](http://www.iowaonecall.com)

Iowa One Call is a Free Service.

NOTE: Iowa law requires that any person, homeowner, professional, public or private entity, planning to engage in any form of excavation within the State of Iowa, must notify the Iowa One Call notification system at least **48 HOURS** prior to any digging or excavating.

## Regional Rural Water

108 Hwy 59 – Avoca  
712-343-2413

## County Inspection Requests Scheduling

As of June 1, 2015, the Pottawattamie County Building Division will be changing our scheduling of inspections. The Building Division will be scheduling all inspection in the morning-AM (8:30 to 12 Noon) or afternoon-PM (12 Noon to 4:00). This change will allow us to be more efficient with driving routes and the Inspectors will be able to fit more inspections into each day.

Inspections must be requested no later than 4:30 PM the business day before in order to be placed on the next working days schedule. For example a person must call in to the Inspection Line (712-328-5847) on Friday before 4:30 PM to be able to secure an inspection for the following Monday AM or PM time slots. Inspection called in the same day (before 8:30 AM) will only receive an afternoon inspection if there is an opening.

## State of Iowa Contact Information

### **State Building Code Bureau**

Iowa Department of Public Safety  
State Fire Marshal-Building Code Bureau  
215 E 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
Des Moines, IA 50319  
[www.dps.state.ia.us](http://www.dps.state.ia.us)  
[bcinfo@dps.state.ia.us](mailto:bcinfo@dps.state.ia.us)  
Acting State Code Commissioner:  
Richard Bolten: (515) 725-6157  
[bolten@dps.state.ia.us](mailto:bolten@dps.state.ia.us)

### **State Electrical Division**

(515) 725-6147 or (866) 923-1082  
<http://iowaelectrical.gov>  
[einspinfo@dps.state.ia.us](mailto:einspinfo@dps.state.ia.us)  
Area Electrical Inspector:  
Pat Merrick (515) 988-1718  
[merrick@dps.state.ia.us](mailto:merrick@dps.state.ia.us)

### **State Fire Marshal-Fire Prevention Bureau**

(515) 725-6145  
[www.dps.state.ia.us](http://www.dps.state.ia.us)  
[fminfo@dps.state.ia.us](mailto:fminfo@dps.state.ia.us)  
Fire Inspector: Mary Miller  
(712) 369-0935  
[mamiller@dps.state.ia.us](mailto:mamiller@dps.state.ia.us)

### **State Department of Public Health**

321 East 12<sup>th</sup> Street  
Des Moines, IA 50319  
(866) 227.9878  
[www.idph.state.ia.us](http://www.idph.state.ia.us)  
[contactus@idph.state.ia.us](mailto:contactus@idph.state.ia.us)  
Plumbing Code Contact:  
Kane Young: 515-242-6335  
[Kane.Young@idph.iowa.gov](mailto:Kane.Young@idph.iowa.gov)

### **State Division of Labor**

1000 East Grand  
Des Moines, IA 50319  
Phone: (800) 562-4692  
[www.iowaworkforce.org](http://www.iowaworkforce.org)  
[contractor.registration@iwd.iowa.gov](mailto:contractor.registration@iwd.iowa.gov)

**All Construction Contractors must be registered with the State of Iowa.**