

Vermont Division of Fire Safety Guidelines for Requiring a Vermont Licensed Design Professional and Stamped Construction Documents ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Occupancy	New Building		Addition ⁽³⁾		Reconstruction ⁽³⁾		Modification ⁽³⁾		Renovation ⁽³⁾		Change Of Occ ⁽⁴⁾	
	Size (SF)	Cost (\$\$)	Size (SF) ⁽⁵⁾	Cost (\$\$)	Size (SF)	Cost (\$\$)	Size (SF)	Cost (\$\$)	Size (SF)	Cost (\$\$)	Size (SF)	Cost (\$\$)
High Hazard	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All
Detention and Correctional	All	All	All	All	All	All	1500	150K	2000	200K	All	All
Health Care	All	All	All	All	All	All	1500	150K	2000	200K	All	All
Residential Board and Care	All	All	All	All	All	All	1500	150K	2000	200K	All	All
Ambulatory Health Care	All	All	All	All	All	All	1500	150K	2000	200K	All	All
Apartment Buildings ⁽⁶⁾	All	All	1000	100K	1500	150K	2000	200K	2500	250K	All	All
Assembly	All	All	1000	100K	1500	150K	2000	200K	2500	250K	All	All
Daycare	All	All	1000	100K	1500	150K	2000	200K	2500	250K	All	All
Educational	All	All	1000	100K	1500	150K	2000	200K	2500	250K	All	All
Hotels or Dormitories	All	All	1000	100K	1500	150K	2000	200K	2500	250K	All	All
Lodging or Rooming Houses	All	All	1000	100K	1500	150K	2000	200K	2500	250K	All	All
Business	All	All	1000	100K	1500	150K	2000	200K	2500	250K	All	All
Industrial / Factory	All	All	1000	100K	1500	150K	2000	200K	2500	250K	All	All
Mercantile	All	All	1000	100K	1500	150K	2000	200K	2500	250K	All	All
Storage / Utility	All	All	1000	100K	1500	150K	2000	200K	2500	250K	All	All
One and Two Family Dwellings	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Low Hazard Industrial	All	All	1500	150K	2000	200K	2500	250K	3000	300K	All	All
Low Hazard Storage	All	All	1500	150K	2000	200K	2500	250K	3000	300K	All	All

(1) All Plans produced by a licensed design professional shall be stamped as such regardless of the work being performed

(2) Stamped plans shall be required when the project size **OR** cost are equal to or greater than the numbers specified in this table

- This table is only a guideline. The AHJ can require involvement of a design professional based on the scope of any given project regardless of the size or cost

(3) All rehabilitation work that affects fire rated designs greater than 2 hours, any fire wall, all Type 1 and Type 4 construction shall require stamped plans

(4) Any change of occupancy within the same hazard classification or to a lesser hazard classification shall not require stamped plans unless required by another section of this document or when required by the Authority Having Jurisdiction

(5) Any addition greater than one story shall require plans stamped by a Licensed Design Professional

(6) Stamped plans are only required for multi-family buildings containing more than 4 dwelling units

** A construction permit shall be required regardless of the size or cost of the project unless specifically waived by the AHJ

** Construction permit applications and submittals shall be in accordance with the Vermont Fire and Building Safety Code Section 4

** Refer to NFPA 101 chapter 43 for definitions of Addition, Reconstruction, Modification, Renovation and Change of Occupancy

** These guidelines do not supersede the rules contained within the Architects and Professional Engineering Licensing and Registration Laws (26 V.S.A Chapters 3 & 20)