



INFORMATION BULLETIN Effective March 1, 2014

Saanich Inspection Services is making changes in the issuance of Plumbing Permits to align our procedures with the requirements of the BC Building Code. These changes affect anyone taking out permits for drainage work.

A Plumbing Permit for the repair of perimeter drains can be issued to the registered owner of the property or an appointed agent acting on behalf of the owner. These permits are only valid for the work around the building and do not include the installation of storm laterals, sanitary sewer lines, rain water leader systems or waterlines on private property. The only work that may be performed under these permits is any work that is regulated by Part 9 of the BC Building Code.

In order to install storm laterals, sanitary sewer lines, rain water leader systems or waterlines, a Plumbing Permit is required. A Plumbing Permit can only be issued to and the work can only be performed by an individual who meets one of the following criteria described in the BC Plumbing Code:

1.2.3.1. Personnel Performing Plumbing Work

1) Personnel performing the installation, extension, alteration, renewal or repair of a *plumbing system* shall

- a) possess a Canadian tradesman's qualification certification as a plumber,
- b) be an indentured apprentice supervised by a journeyman who meets the criteria set out in Clause (a), or
- c) be the registered owner and occupant or intended occupant of the single family dwelling in which the plumbing work will occur.

If you have any questions regarding this change of procedure please contact the District of Saanich, Inspection Services Division, at 250-475-5457 or Inspections@saanich.ca