



TOWN OF CANTON_{CT}

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

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Town of Canton Top Ten Code Violations

As reported in the January 2024 in the Journal of Light Construction

Credit to: Charles Wardell

1. Missing/absent plans and documentation on site at time of inspection.
2. Improperly place foundation anchor bolts
3. Braced Wall errors
4. Weakened Joists & Beams
5. Deck Ledgers & Braces
6. Stair Rise/Run Errors
7. Stair Handrails & Guardrails
8. Missing or Absent Fire Blocking
9. Air Barrier Gaps
10. Exposed Kraft-Faced Insulation

Many failed inspections could be avoided if builders, homeowners, tradespeople, and the public actually read the manufacturer's instructions and the documentation provided with the building permit application. The time saved by not doing so can take more time to correct later. As is always the case, it is much easier to correct errors with a pencil than a wrecking bar, sledgehammer, and Sawzall.

When we request or require additional information, most of it was/is required to be submitted as part of the permit application process. We aren't trying to give anyone a "hard time", we are only trying to understand the entire performance specifications and parameters of your project.

Be safe. We value your life and property.

Rand D. Stanley
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