



## Roofing

### **Permit requirements.**

- Submit a completed building permit application to the City of Mendota Heights, available at the City's website [www.mendota-heights.com](http://www.mendota-heights.com) or the City Hall.
- Contractors installing roofing in the City of Mendota Heights must have a State license.
- Homeowners that will personally and physically perform the roofing work on a single family detached dwelling that they own and occupy are not required to be licensed and may obtain a roofing permit.

### **A minimum of two inspections are required on all roofing permits.**

- Most jobs require two inspections. Large commercial projects may require more.
- The first inspection should be scheduled by the contractor doing the work during the installation of the underlayment or ice barrier. On reroofs this will usually occur at the tear off stage.
- The final inspection should be scheduled by the contractor after all work is completed. No photos required.

### **Typical requirements for asphalt shingled roofing include:**

- Asphalt shingles should only be used on roof slopes of 2/12 or greater (R905.2.2).
- Slopes between 2/12 and 4/12 require a double underlayment (R905.2.7).
- Fasteners shall penetrate the roof decking a minimum of 3/4" (R905.2.5).
- An ice barrier shall be installed from the lowest edge of the roof to a point at least 24" inside the exterior wall line (R905.2.7.1).
- An ice barrier is not required for detached accessory structures that are unheated.
- Old roof coverings must be removed whenever the existing roof has two or more layers of any type of roof covering (R907.3.3).
- Kick out flashing is not required on reroofs (R903.2.1.1).
- Install all roofing materials in accordance with the manufacturer's installation manual.

### **Ventilation**

- Roof cross ventilation is required for enclosed attic and rafter spaces including garages (R806.1).
- For attics without ceiling vapor retarders, one square foot of net free ventilating area should be provided for each 150 square feet of attic area (R806.2).
- Ventilation area may be reduced to one square foot for each 300 square foot of attic area for attics with vapor retarders or attics that have at least 40% and not more than 50% of the required ventilating area provided in the upper portion of the space to be ventilated. Upper ventilators shall be located no more than 3' below the ridge with the balance of the ventilation provided by the eave vents (R806.2).
- Unvented enclosed rafter spaces are permitted when the space is completely within the building thermal envelope (R806.5).

### **Construction debris**

- Dumpsters cannot be placed in the street without a permit issued by the City of Mendota Heights.
- Dumpsters must be covered so that construction debris is contained and does not become a nuisance to neighbors on windy days.

**Call the City of Mendota Heights' Department of Building Safety at 651 452 1850 if you have questions, to request a permit or to schedule an inspection (8:00-4:30 M-F).**