

<u>General Requirements for Basement Alteration</u> <u>Permit Submission</u>

- ◆ All construction work must comply with the Pennsylvania UCC, as amended.
- Submit 2 complete sets of drawings to scale.
- Prepare floor plan showing basement layout, including all dimensions indicating new and existing walls, door sizes, stair widths, stair railings, closets, mechanical rooms, etc.
- Provide location of all proposed plumbing fixtures, ejector pumps, etc.
- Provide electrical plan layout indicating receptacles, lighting, smoke detectors, panels, etc.
- Provide wall cross-section indicating ceiling height, type of finish for ceiling, type of wall framing, fire stopping and wall finish. Example enclosed with this packet.
- Submit all items above with a completed Building Permit Application Form to the township building.

Typical Basement Requirements

- 1. Fire stopping shall be installed where required; in basement renovations all concealed spaces created by new walls shall be fire stopped. See example.
- 2. Access (or access panels) shall be provided for all plumbing cleanouts, water shut offs, and electrical panels.
- 3. Stairways will meet the requirements of the UCC of 8-1/4" max rise and 9" minimum run.
- 4. Floor plans shall be labeled to show finished areas proposed use.
- 5. At least one smoke detector is required in the finished basement, or if a bedroom is installed, one is required directly outside the bedroom and one inside the bedroom.

Any questions may be directed to the Building Department at (215) 453-6000 ex 214