



Field Changes

Bulletin 23

Division of Building, Safety, and Inspection for 2018 International Codes

Plan Changes Allowed in the Field

The following changes can be approved by the site inspector and do not need a revision by your Plans Examiner. All changes should be noted by your inspector in your inspection record.

- Non-structural wall movement - master bath and closet reconfigurations.
- Bathroom - 3/4 to full bath - kitchen reconfiguration
- Window relocation, so long as size and energy code requirements stay the same and the relocation does not affect any braced wall panel or header size(s).
- Sloped lot foundation changes only if the house is not engineered. You may add a stepped foundation following the prescriptive requirements in the code.

Note: If the house is engineered, you may add a stepped foundation with an engineered design that has been reviewed and approved by the county.

- Minor structural changes only if the house is not engineered. You may make minor structural changes following the prescriptive requirements in the code.

Note: If the house is engineered, you may make minor structural changes with an engineered design that has been reviewed and approved by the county.

- French Doors instead of slider in the same opening, so long as they meet the minimum energy code.
- Different siding if no change in lateral or fire-flow requirements.

NOTE: For items 4 and 5 above, the inspector always has the option to refer the changes to Plan Review if they feel the change is too extensive for field review.

Plan Changes NOT Allowed in the Field

The following changes are too extensive for field approval. You must submit revised drawings to your Plans Examiner for review and approval.

- Adding square footage.
- Changes in structural details on an engineered design without authorization from the design engineer that has been reviewed and approved by the county.

If unpermitted work is completed without approval for your revision from either your Site Inspector or your Plans Examiner, an Investigation Fee of \$250 may be applied or Stop Work notice applied to your project.