

## Temporary Inspection Policy during Governor's "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" Orders

### Policy for Compliance with Governor's Orders:

Construction activities must be in accordance with the Governor's March 23<sup>rd</sup> "[Stay Home, Stay Healthy](#)" Order, March 25<sup>th</sup> "[Construction Guidance Memorandum](#)" and the April 24<sup>th</sup> "[Phase 1 Construction Restart COVID-19 Job Site Requirements](#)", or as directed in subsequent updates.

It is the owner/contractor's responsibility to ensure that their construction activity is compliant with the Governor's Orders prior to requesting an inspection. Please direct questions about whether your project may proceed in a manner compliant with the Governor's Orders to [business@mil.wa.gov](mailto:business@mil.wa.gov).

### Remote Video Inspections:

Remote Video Inspection is an alternative to in-person, on-site inspections. These types of inspections are performed for small scale projects that can easily be inspected via Live Video Chat. Homeowners and contractors are welcome to request remote video inspections from the Online Permitting Portal the same way all other inspections are required to be requested. Prior to requesting a Remote Video Inspection, homeowners and contractors must reference the City's [Remote Video Inspection Instructions for Homeowners & Contractors](#) and follow the outlined process.

### No in-person inspections to be performed within occupied dwelling units:

The term "occupied dwelling units" refers to single family dwellings, duplexes and apartment buildings. The designation does not include new construction of dwelling units where the structure is not yet occupied, non-residential commercial structures, or inspections that take place outside without public contact. Until further notice, the City of Everett will not perform in-person inspections within occupied dwelling units. Remote Video Inspections may be a viable alternative, depending on the scope of work.

### What do I do if I am in need of a emergency inspection within an occupied dwelling unit?

When conditions exist that require an inspection to preserve life or property, an emergency inspection will be considered. In general, emergency inspections are reserved for unsafe situations, such as no power or no heat. If you think you have a need for an emergency inspection in your occupied residential dwelling unit, please contact us via the 'Inspector contact instructions' below. Your situation will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Remote Video Inspections may be a viable alternative to an in-person emergency inspection.

### What can I do until I can get my inspection?

The use of your property has not been restricted. You can continue to occupy your dwelling unit. The area of work needing to be inspected will need to remain uncovered until the required inspection(s) can be performed.

### Inspector contact instructions:

Request inspections online at [pw.everettwa.gov](http://pw.everettwa.gov)

Phone: 425-257-8810, Option 4, available between 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. only.

Email: [everetteps@everettwa.gov](mailto:everetteps@everettwa.gov) – Will be forwarded to the appropriate inspector for follow-up.

Thank you for your compliance, patience and understanding as we take these measures to protect our community during the COVID-19 pandemic. Please continue to check [everettwa.gov/permits](http://everettwa.gov/permits) for updates.