

PROJECT SUCCESS CHECKLIST

Damage to structures can happen any time. Fire. Vehicles. High Wind. Explosions. All happen, and usually without warning. Damaged buildings need to be stabilized, secured, repaired or demolished. Stabilization may include utility control measures up to and including disconnects.

Local building departments facilitate evaluation of the hazards presented by the damage, and guide the issuance of permits for structural stabilization work, restoration work, or demolition.

To ensure timely approval and inspection, this guide explains what needs to be submitted, and what needs to be inspected, by whom, and in what sequence.



Unexpected damage can cause serious disruptions

WHO'S INVOLVED

You will need approvals from some or all of the following:

- **Local Building Department** – Trained personnel evaluate the extent of damage, issue permits for structural stabilization and repair. They will approve utility reconnections after hazard assessment, and necessary repairs undertaken, and issue permits for renovation/restoration, or demolition permits as appropriate
- **Fire Department** – Often the first responder, providing emergency efforts to control damage and rescue injured people.
- **Health Department** – In food service operations, evaluates extent of damage and contamination issues (Health Dept. licensed facilities, kitchens, etc.).
- **Montgomery County/Ohio Department of Emergency Management** – For regional events such as tornados or flooding, conduct disaster assessments and coordinates relief efforts
- **Insurance Company** – They have a financial interest in the cause, scope, duration and recovery of the event

You can find out who to contact in each jurisdiction in Montgomery County at our website:

<http://www.selectmcoho.com/mcoho/building/contact-us-and-partner-agencies>

WHAT'S COVERED, AND WHAT'S EXEMPT

Example of what's included:

All structures suffering physical damage. Damage may be by effects of fire, water, flooding, wind, lightning, earthquake, or vehicle into the structure.

Exclusions:

- Cosmetic damage only (examples, paint and carpet, non-structural/non-rated wall board, baseboard trims, etc.)
- Incidental structures NOT otherwise regulated by the Ohio Building Code, Residential Code of Ohio or local zoning requirements.

INSPECTION CHECKLIST:

- Posted address on the structure (temporary sign if needed)
- Authorized representative on site with knowledge of the incident
- Copy of the Building Department Application (In an emergency, we will inspect first, require the permit be applied for second)
- Access to all areas of the structure, including basements and utility areas