

# Requirements for a DEMOLITION Permit

## When is a Demolition Permit required?

A demolition permit is required when any building or structure is to be demolished.

## What must be submitted to obtain a Demolition Permit?

### 1) A Completed Application for Demolition

A permit to demolish a structure can only be issued after staff review and approval of the application. This staff review is usually completed within three days.

### 2) An Affidavit Declaring Ownership

Removing a permanent structure from real property can result in significantly reduced real estate values. As such, we are particularly careful to ascertain that the individual pulling a demolition permit is either the owner or authorized by the owner to demolish the structure. The Standard Building Code states that only an owner, contractor, or authorized owner's agent may obtain a permit to construct, alter, or remove a structure. An affidavit declaring ownership must be submitted along with an application for a demolition permit.

## What is the fee for a demolition permit?

A non-refundable fee for this permit shall be as follows:

For the demolition of any building or structure housing one or two families the fee shall be \$30.00 for the first story and \$20.00 for each additional story.

For the demolition of any building or structure housing more than two families, commercial, schools, institutional, assembly storage or industrial uses the fee shall be \$55.00 for the first story and \$25.00 for each additional story.

**Applications for  
Permits must be  
submitted to:**

**Inspections**

**Bureau**

City of Knoxville  
400 Main St., Rm 505  
Knoxville, TN 37901



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