

# SIDING

## Permits, Licenses and Inspections

**Permits:** A building permit is required for all siding projects beyond simple repairs of replacing only individual pieces of cladding. When an entire wall is replaced, a permit is needed before work begins.

**Licenses:** Contractors engaged in building projects are most often required to obtain a Contractor's License or Remodeler's License from the State of Minnesota. There are exceptions based on the quantity of work and the number of disciplines performed. For more information contact the Building Official or Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry at (651) 284-5069, or [www.dli.mn.gov](http://www.dli.mn.gov).

### Inspections:

- 1) A Water Resistive Barrier prior to installing siding
- 2) A Final inspection when all work is completed

Window, Siding, and Water Resistive Barrier manufacture installation instructions specify flashing materials for use with their products. All flashings must be installed for inspection prior to covering. Allow at least 2-days for inspection requests. Photos can only be accepted with prior approval.

### Water Resistive Barrier / Flashing Materials

MN State Building Code requires a barrier be placed over all exterior walls with limited exceptions. MN Residential Code Section [R703.8](#) requires all self-adhered membranes used as flashing around windows and doors shall meet Standard [AAMA 711](#). Look for this label on products or in their listing material. Questions about these requirements can be directed to the Building Official.



### Electrical Permit Requirements

Re-installation of electrical fixtures when residing a home requires an electrical permit and inspections. For electrical permits and inspections in your city, use the following website for information: [https://www.dli.mn.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/eli\\_ElectricalInspectorDirectory.pdf](https://www.dli.mn.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/eli_ElectricalInspectorDirectory.pdf)