City of Mountain View

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

BUILDING DIVISION

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LAUNDRY ROOM REMODEL

FOR ONE-TO-TWO FAMILY DWELLINGS

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

A building permit is required for all laundry room remodels that include electric, plumbing and/or mechanical work. Permit shall be obtained prior to the start of the work.

One electronic set of plans, digitally signed by the designer/architect, contractor, or homeowner responsible for preparing the plans. All plans submitted (at minimum, include existing and new floor plans) shall be a minimum plan size of 11" x 17" and must be legible to facilitate digital imaging for permanent record.

Exterior modifications to buildings require Planning review and approval prior to submittal to the Building Division.

If the property is overseen by a Homeowners Association a letter of authorization signed by the HOA, is required.

The following is a listing of the general code requirements based on the **2022** California Codes & Mountain View Municipal Code. This handout is intended to provide general information. If you have questions, please contact the Building Division at (650) 903-6313 or email us at building@mountainview.gov

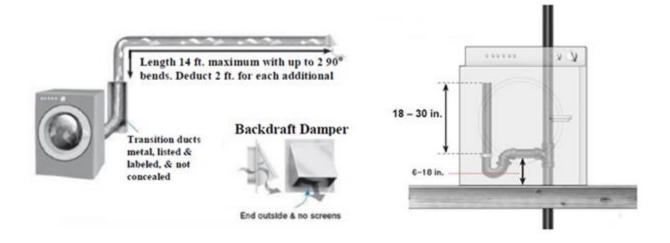
CODE REQUIREMENTS

- All 125-volt through 250-volt receptacles installed in the laundry areas shall have GFCI protection for personnel (CEC 210.8(A)).
- In addition to the number of branch circuits required by other parts of the CEC, at least one additional 20-ampere branch circuit shall be provided to supply the laundry receptacle outlet(s). This circuit shall have no other outlets (CEC 210.11(C)(2)).
- All 120-volt, single-phase, 15 and 20 ampere branch circuits supplying outlets or devices installed in the laundry areas (dwelling units) shall be AFCI (CEC 210.12(A)).
- 15-20 ampere receptacles in dwelling units shall be listed tamper-resistance receptacles (CEC 406.12(1)); except those within dedicated space for an appliance not easily moved from one place to another (behind clothes washer) (CEC 406.12 Exception (3)).
- Per the Mountain View City Code SEC. 8.51(C) a minimum of 200 amps service disconnect shall be required for one family dwelling and SEC. 8.51(D) a minimum of 125 amps service disconnect shall be required for other than one family dwelling.
- Clothes washer standpipes must be 2-inch diameter, minimum size trap and trap arm (CPC Table 702.1). No trap for a clothes washer standpipe receptor shall be installed below the floor and shall be roughed in not less than 6" and not more than 18" inches above the floor; the standpipe must be a minimum 18" and maximum 30" inches above its trap weir (CPC 804.1).
- Makeup air shall be provided for type I clothes dryer in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions. Where a closet is designed for the installation of a clothes dryer, an opening of not less than 100 square inches for makeup air shall be provided in the door or by other approved means (CMC 504.4.1(1).
- Domestic dryer moisture exhaust ducts shall be not less than 4-inch diameter and shall be of rigid metal and shall have smooth interior surfaces and shall not be more than 14 feet in length. Allowed per code two 90° bends within 14 ft. A length of 2 feet shall be deducted for each 90° elbow in excess of two (CMC 504.4.2.1).
- Clothes dryers ducts shall not pass through plenums or connected with other systems and vents. Assembly method shall not include screws that penetrate the duct interior (CMC 504.4).

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- Dryer ducts must terminate through a backdraft damper to the outside of the building. Screens shall not be installed at the duct termination (CMC 504.4).
- Transition ducts and flexible clothes dryer, for Type I dryer, shall have no more than 6 feet in length and shall not be concealed; and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instruction (CMC 504.4.2.2).
- All installed luminaires shall meet the requirements in Table 150.0-A (CEnerC, Subchapter 7, 150.0(k)1A).
- At least one installed luminaire in laundry rooms shall be controlled by an occupancy or vacancy sensor providing automatic-off functionality (CEnerC 150.0(k)2Ei).

*Noncompliant plumbing fixtures shall be replaced with water-conserving plumbing fixtures per CGreenC Section 4.303 Note and per SB407—Self Certification form available.



DRYER EXHAUST DUCTS REQUIREMENTS

LAUNDRY STANDPIPE REQUIREMENTS

OTHER RELATED HANDOUTS

- Smoke Detector & Carbon Monoxide requirements
- GFCI & AFCI requirements
- Self-Certification Plumbing fixtures
- Self-Certification Smoke & Carbon Detectors

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