

Electronic Permitting Has Arrived in Douro-Dummer

Township of Douro-Dummer – The Township of Douro-Dummer has recently launched the first phase of its electronic building permit application system, e-permits, available at www.ddpermits.ca.

This online system will enable owners and applicants to apply for a building permit from the convenience of their home or office. The goal of this system is to be simple and easy to use for the applicant, while reducing our ecological footprint by no longer requiring the submission of paper applications or printed drawings. Once a permit application has been received, it will be reviewed and an electronic permit will be sent back to the applicant so that construction may commence. The inspector will use a tablet in the field to view drawings and other files.

Douro-Dummer's Chief Building Official, Brian Fawcett, notes, "We know that applying for a Building Permit can be a stressful experience, so e-permits are designed to make the building permit application experience easier for everyone."

The Township of Douro-Dummer is the first municipality in the County to transition to electronic permitting. It is anticipated that this system will result in time and cost savings for the applicants and the Township, as well as making revisions and tracking of the permits faster and easier.

"We are very excited at being able to make things even a 'little more' easier in what has become a red tape world. We're very proud of our staff for advancing this concept," says Mayor of Douro-Dummer J. Murray Jones.

To ensure a positive user experience as the Township moves forward with the new system, user feedback is encouraged. Watch for Phase 2, of this project, which will include a more robust system including personalized accounts, coming in early summer 2019!

Brian adds "With ever changing technology, it is important that we remain on the forefront, even as a smaller municipality."

For accessibility, paper building permit applications will continue to be accepted.

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