

Buildings, Safety Engineering & Environmental Department Electrical Inspection Division 2 Woodward Ave, Fourth Floor, Room 408 Detroit, MI 48226 (313) 224-3130 or (313) 224-3228

### ELECTRICAL SERVICE RECONNECT INSPECTION OVERVIEW

### STEP 1:

You must call DTE Energy to create a work order. Please call **1-800-333-0178** to begin this process. After you have created a work order with DTE Energy, you then must obtain an **Electrical Service Reconnect** permit from the City of Detroit Buildings, Safety Engineering, & Environmental Department's Electrical Inspection Division, in Room 408, Fourth Floor, in the Coleman A. Young Municipal Center (formerly the City-County Building). Please ask to speak to the Electrical Supervisor. In the absence of the Electrical Supervisor in Room 408, you may also obtain your permit in Room 409, the Plan Review Division. Please ask to see an Electrical Plan Reviewer. **It is required to know the amprating (i.e. 100, 200..) of the service before coming to the Electrical Division to obtain the service reconnect permit.** 

**Please be advised:** The electrical service reconnect permit and the subsequent electrical inspection(s) are **MANDATORY** in order to re-energize the building electrical service.

THE ELECTRICAL SERVICE RECONNECT PERMIT FEE IS BASED ON THE SERVICE AMPERAGE			
Each Service, 200 amps or less \$60.00			
THE FOLLOWING REQUIRES THE SERVICES OF A LICENSED ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR:			
Over 200 to 400 amps	\$80.00		
Over 400 amps	\$134.00		

PLEASE BE ADVISED: A SERVICE RECONNECT PERMIT IS FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF RESTORING POWER TO THE RESIDENCE OR BUILDING. NEW ELECTRICAL WORK FOUND TO HAVE BEEN PERFORMED TO THE SERVICE EQUIPMENT WILL AUTOMATICALLY VOID THE SERVICE RECONNECT PERMIT.

#### STEP 2:

Once the Service Reconnect permit is obtained, you may schedule your electrical inspection. You may either schedule the inspection while at the Electrical Division office, or you may call the Electrical Division clerical staff (see contact listing below) to schedule your inspection.

#### **STEP 3:**

**After the Electrical Inspection:** If your inspection passes, the City of Detroit Electrical Inspector that performed the inspection, will send a Service Release approval to DTE Energy to restore service to the dwelling or building. **Please contact DTE Energy** to check the status of your service after approval of your electrical inspection.

**If your inspection fails**, or the Electrical Inspector verifies that work has been done to the service equipment, the Electrical Service Reconnect permit will be automatically voided, and a Licensed Electrical Contractor **must** be hired to pull the proper electrical permit, make any corrections needed, and call for required inspections.

### FOR FURTHER ASSISTANCE, PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING CONTACT LISTING:

DTE Service Planning General Line	(313) 235-4400	
City of Detroit Electrical Inspection Division	Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m 4:30 p.m.	
Electrical Plan Reviewer	(313) 628-2656	(313) 224-0311
Supervising Electrical Inspector: Mr. Vincent Cooley	(313) 224-3130	CooleyV@detroitmi.gov
Electrical Inspection Division Clerical Staff	(313) 224-3228	(313) 628-2661

## **FAQS** (Frequently Asked Questions)

## 1. What equipment\* is the Electrical Inspector coming out to inspect?

- Bonding
- Conductors
- Grounding (required to be in existence)
- Meter Enclosure
- Original equipment is still in place (No new equipment)
- Overhead Service Height
- Proper sized fuses or circuit breakers
- Service
- Service Cable/Service Raceways
- Service Panel

\*Please be advised: This is only a sample of what the Electrical Inspector may inspect. All service equipment must be free from deterioration and/or damage.

## 2. Where can I find the service amp rating?

This information is located on the electrical service panel, inside the service panel door, on the lever of the main circuit breaker, or on the main fuses.

## 3. How soon may I expect my electrical service to be restored?

Please contact DTE's Service Planning General Line at the bottom of Page One for information about the restoral status of your service.

# 4. I had a house fire and have hired an Electrical Contractor, can I still obtain a service reconnect permit?

Please contact the Electrical Supervising Inspector (see Contact Listing on page 1) for further assistance. Please be prepared to discuss the scope of work needed.

# 5. Do I need an electrical service reconnect permit if my service was shut off for non-payment?

No. Please contact DTE Energy at 1-800-477-4747 to resolve this issue.

## 6. My service is over 200 amps, why is an Electrical Contractor needed to obtain the permit?

For safety purposes. A licensed Electrical Contractor is required to be present at the location to open the service panel/equipment for those electrical inspections.