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City of Independence – Floodplain Management FAQ – Building or Substantially Improving property in the floodplain

1. Do I Need A Permit To Work In The Floodplain?
 - a. **Yes, any work done in the floodplain requires a building permit from the City**
 - b. **New Construction, improvements, landscaping, damage repairs**
2. How Do I Access A Building Permit or Floodplain development permit?
 - a. <http://www.independences.gov/DocumentCenter/View/99/Residential-Building-Permit-Application-Form-PDF>
 - b. <http://www.independences.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1427/FLOODPLAIN-DEVELOPMENT-PERMITpdf>
3. Is an Elevation Certificate Required before work can begin
 - a. **Yes, for new construction or substantially improving a structure a certified elevation certificate is required**
4. Is the Floodplain Ordinance available on-line?
 - a. <http://www.independences.gov/DocumentCenter/View/2075/Floodplain-Ordinance->
5. How do I contact the City of Independence Floodplain Manager
 - a. Email – davidc@independences.gov
 - b. Phone – 620-332-2541 or 620-332-2528
 - c. Address - 811 W. Laurel Street – Independence, Kansas
6. What are the Building Codes
 - a. 2012 IBC
 - b. 2012 IEBC
 - c. 2012 UPC
 - d. 2012 IMC
 - e. 2010 Swimming Pool, Spa & Hot Tub
 - f. 2011 NEC
 - g. 2010 ADA
7. How To Report Illegal Floodplain Development
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