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## TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION POWER GUIDELINES

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### General:

The Building Official acknowledges that certain finishes and materials are affected by climatic conditions; that a security system is an important and vital building component, and the need to test equipment prior to obtaining a final building inspection are valid requests. The Temporary Construction Power Permit is distinct from a Temporary Power Pole as defined herein. Energizing the electrical power to a building is potentially hazardous, as such the authority to make such a request is a responsibility borne onto the permit applicant.

### Definitions:

Contractor – The permit applicant that applied for and obtained the electrical permit for the building of which a Temporary Construction Power Permit has been requested.

Temporary Construction Power Permit - A permit granting authorization to the power company, from the Building Official or his designee, to energize electrical services of a building prior to issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy.

Fees – Includes all remaining fees, but is not limited to the following:

1. Permit fees
2. Re-inspection fees
3. Sewer Connection fees
4. Impact Fees
5. Temporary Power Construction Fees
6. Certificate of Occupancy Fees

Temporary Power Pole – An energized panel board attached to a pole, stand, or other type of structure that provides electrical power to a construction site for the purpose of providing construction trades sufficient electrical power to energize their respective tools. A temporary construction power pole is for the sole application of providing power for use during the construction of a building or structure. A temporary construction power pole is not an approved means of energizing a building, structure, or vacant property.

Temporary Power – Use of electricity for a temporary use, including but not limited to weekend events, holiday associated sales, and uses approved through the Temporary Use process.

### POLICY/PROCEDURE:

In granting Temporary Construction Power, the Contractor must agree to the following:

- ✓ Contractor will lock off access to uncompleted areas and/or lock service to areas where exposed wiring has not been safely protected. Contractor will maintain all early released power in a safe manner until the Certificate of Occupancy is issued; or when a Certificate of Occupancy is not required, a final electrical is conducted.
- ✓ Contractor will protect outlets by a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI).

Violation will result in immediate shut-off of power, and Contractor further agrees that violation may prohibit Contractor from applying for Temporary Construction Power for a period of not less than one (1) year from date of violation.

Therefore, the following procedure is hereby established to allow permitting of Temporary

Construction Power:

1. Submit completed and signed (**by both General Contractor and Electrical Contractor**) Temporary Construction Power Permit Application to BID.
2. Contractor must obtain and complete the Temporary Construction Power Permit Application. (The form can be found on our website at [www.myescambia.com](http://www.myescambia.com) or by visiting the Escambia County Building Inspections Divisions (BID)).
3. We will not accept the Temporary Construction Power Permit Application until the rough- in electrical inspection has been completed.
4. Contractor must pay all outstanding fees (see Definitions for Fees) prior to acceptance of their request for the Temporary Construction Power Permit Application.
5. The Temporary Construction Power Permit will not exceed ninety (90) days. The meter **WILL** automatically be removed on the 91<sup>st</sup> day.
6. The **TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION POWER DOES NOT AUTHORIZE OCCUPANCY OF THE BUILDING.**

*Note: The Building Official may consider granting variations of this policy/procedure yet; variation from this policy/procedure will not be interpreted as setting precedence.*



**Application For**  
**Temporary Construction Power**  
 Escambia County, FL

<b>BUILDING PERMIT NO.:</b>
<b>ELECTRICAL PERMIT NO.:</b>
<b>TEMPORARY CONTRUCTION POWER PERMIT NO.:</b>
<b>DATE:</b>

I respectfully request Temporary Construction Power for a building constructed at: \_\_\_\_\_ . This Temporary Construction Power Permit **may not exceed ninety (90) days** from the date of release to the power company; after which time the meter **will be** automatically removed. This Temporary Construction Power Permit **does not authorize occupancy of the building or structure.**

Any person or contractor violating this Agreement, or using Temporary Construction Power in a hazardous or unauthorized manner, will result in a violation complaint filed against the person or contractor.

I will **LOCK OFF ACCESS TO UNCOMPLETED AREAS AND/OR LOCK SERVICE TO AREAS** where exposed wiring has not been safely protected. I will maintain all Temporary Construction Power in a safe manner until the Certificate of Occupancy is issued, or when a Certificate of Occupancy is not required, a final electrical inspection is conducted.

Violation of this Agreement will justify immediate **SHUT OFF** of Temporary Construction Power and I further agree that **VIOLATION** of this Agreement may prohibit me from applying for Temporary Construction Power for a period of not less than one (1) year from the date of the violation.

**This Temporary Construction Power Permit does not authorize occupancy of the building or structure.**

Signature of General Contractor: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of General Contractor: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Electrical Contractor: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Electrical Contractor: \_\_\_\_\_