

## *General Information For Design Professionals*

### ***Climatic and Geographic Design Criteria***

Seismic Category **C**

Wind Speed **90 - 94 mph**

Wind Topographic effects **No**

Snow Load **10 psf**

Termite Infestation **Very Heavy** Weathering **Moderate**

Frost Line Depth **4 inches**

Winter Design Temp **23 degrees** Ice Barrier Underlayment required **No**

Flood Hazards Map **Latest**

Air Freezing Index **0-1000**

Mean Annual Temperature **60**

### ***Construction Drawing Submittal***

*Design professionals should submit three (3) sets of full size drawings including civil and landscaping drawings and one (1) data cd in pdf format containing a complete set of drawings. Drawings must bear the seal of a design professional registered in South Carolina. Drawings that bear a seal other than South Carolina will be returned without review. All references on the drawings should indicate the currently adopted edition of the International Code Family. Drawings should include Energy Conservation Code Analysis information and Comcheck certification. Comcheck is a free software package from the Department of Energy. Click on this link to access Comcheck software <http://www.energycodes.gov/comcheck/>. We recommend that you use the online version rather than downloading the software to your computer. The online version is the latest version. Drawings should be accompanied by a fully completed Commercial Plan Review application found on our forms page. To allow us to communicate with the design professional, please include contact information including email address. Our review staff will return plan review comments via email to the design professional. Our current time frame for review and response is 5 to 10 business days, however, that time frame may vary depending on the volume of drawings currently under review. At conclusion of the review process, the review staff will notify you that the drawings are released for permitting. You may access a free copy of the International codes by clicking [here](#).*

### ***Permit Acquisition***

*After plans are released for permitting, the general contractor should visit our office and bring several documents:*

- *Completed Zoning Application accompanied by recorded plats and deeds.*
- *If not provided when the drawings were submitted, a complete list of all sub-contractors doing work on the project along with their SC license numbers and the cost of their sub-contract. This is required so that we may verify that their license is correct for the amount of their contract.*
- *Water and Sewer agreement to provide service from [Lancaster County Water and Sewer District](#)*

***Business License Requirements:***

*Currently there are no business license requirements in the unincorporated areas of Lancaster County. You should be aware of business license requirements in the incorporated areas if you are conducting work within their corporate limits.*

- [City of Lancaster](#)
- [Town of Heath Springs](#)
- [Town of Kershaw](#)