



MABCD CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY NEWSLETTER

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Administration -

Trade License and Certificate Holders—

Please keep in mind that the renewal cycle for trade licenses and certificates will begin on September 1st.

Now is the time to make sure you have all your CEU's prior to the end of 2025.

MABCD does not receive CEU documentation from the providers. The certificate holder is responsible for providing CEU documentation at the time of renewal.

Accepted CEU classes may be found at:

<https://scks.sedgwickcounty.org/mabcd/Lists/Continuing%20Education/All.aspx>

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- Dwelling Unit Separation.
- Receptacle Placement.
- Appeals Board for Plumbing and Gas Fitters—Open Position.
- Live Roof Load.
- Fire Department Connection.
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Building Division

DWELLING UNIT SEPARATION

The separation wall on two-family dwellings is a source of many corrections on framing inspections. It is important to remember this is a fire resistant rated assembly per building code

R302.3.1 Dwelling unit separation. The two dwelling units shall be separated by fire-resistance rated assemblies that are vertical, horizontal, or a combination thereof.

This includes sealing all penetrations in the wall in accordance with R 302.4.1, Many contractors struggle with through wall penetrations on the truss system not being sealed and not mud and or taping the joints and screw heads on the drywall.

Save yourself time and money by completing these tasks before you call in the framing inspection.



Electrical Division -

Please visit our website for more information: [Electrical, Elevator, & Alarm Division](#)

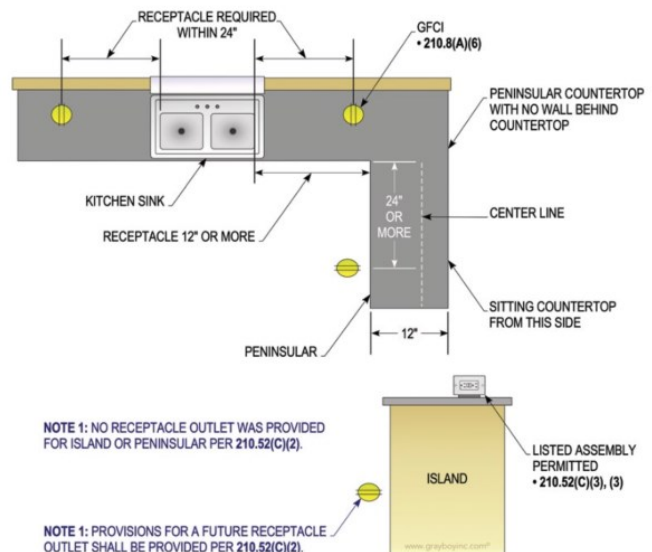
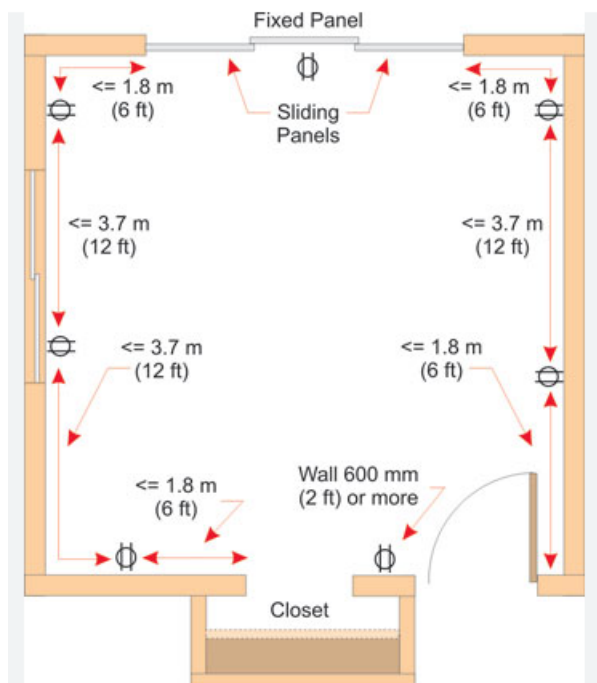
RECEPTACLE PLACEMENT REQUIREMENTS

For the May edition of the MABCD Newsletter, we will discuss : Receptacle Placement Requirements.

Outlets and their placement are governed by the National Electrical Code for safety and convenience.

No point along the floor line of a wall in a habitable room should be more than 6'ft away from a receptacle. There are also specific requirements for kitchens and bathrooms.

1. In living areas, no point along the wall should be more than 6 feet horizontally from a receptacle.
2. Wall receptacles shall be spaced so that no point along the floor line is more than 12 feet from a receptacle.
3. Outlets should be positioned between 15 inches from the floor to a maximum of 48 inches from the floor for ADA requirements.
4. Floor outlets count as the required outlet as long as they are installed within 18 inches of the wall.
5. Walls 2 foot or greater require a receptacle.
6. Hallways longer than 10 feet are required to have at least one outlet.
7. Specific requirements for Kitchens, bathrooms, AFCI, GFCI, WR Type and Tamper Resistant Receptacles.



Plumbing Division -

Please visit our website for more information: [Plumbing Division](#)

OPEN POSITION FOR APPEALS BOARD FOR PLUMBERS AND GAS FITTERS

There will be an open position on the Appeals Board for Plumbers and Gas Fitters.

The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) appointed seat for Master Plumber Service and Repair will be open soon due to a resignation. Please keep an eye on the web page for an application when the administrative staff updates the site to show the opening.

Please visit the web site for more information by using the links below.

[OnBoardGOV](#) | [Sedgwick County](#)

Plans Examiners-

ROOF LIVE LOAD—2024 IBC

As remainder to the Structural Engineers and the Metal Building Manufacturers, the Metropolitan Area Building and Construction Department does not allow you to reduce the Roof Live Load below 20 pounds per square foot and requires the Ground Snow Load to meet the requirements in the 2024 Edition of the International Building Code.

If the Erection Drawings from the Metal Building Manufacturer indicate that the pre-manufactured metal building is design to the 2018 Edition of the International Building Code, the Tributary Area Roof Live Load Reduction has been used on the main frames and purlins, or indicates 15 pounds per square foot for the Ground Snow Load, the Erection Drawings from the Metal Building Manufacturer will not be accepted and no Building Permit will be issued to the general contractor.

The Erection Drawings from the Metal Building Manufacturer will need to indicate that the pre-manufactured metal building is designed to the 2024 Edition of the International Building Code, the Roof Live Load is a minimum of 20 pounds per square foot with no reduction, and Ground Snow Load is per the 2024 Edition of the International Building Code before the Erection Drawings from the Metal Building Manufacturer will be accepted by the Metropolitan Area Building and Construction Department and a Building Permit will be issued to the general contractor.

Wichita Fire Department -

CHAPTER 9 FIRE PROTECTION AND LIFE SAFETY SYSTEMS

SECTION 912 DEPARTMENT CONNECTIONS

912.2.1 Visible location. Fire department connections shall be located on the street side of buildings or facing *ap-proved* fire apparatus access roads, fully visible and recognizable from the street, fire apparatus access road or nearest point of fire department vehicle access or as otherwise *approved* by the *official fire code official*.



MABCD Advisory Boards - Calendar

- [Board of Building Code Standards and Appeals \(BCSA\)](#)
- [Board of Electrical Appeals \(BEA\)](#)
- [Board of Appeals of Refrigeration, Air Conditioning, Warm Air Heating, and Boiler](#)
- [Board of Appeals of Plumbers and Gas Fitters](#)

June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>MABCD</i> <i>BCSA</i> <i>Board Meeting</i> <i>Cancelled</i>	3	4	5 <i>MABCD</i> <i>Mechanical</i> <i>Board</i> <i>Meeting</i>	6	7
8	9	10 <i>MABCD</i> <i>BEA</i> <i>Board</i> <i>Meeting</i>	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 <i>MABCD</i> <i>Plumbing</i> <i>Board</i> <i>Meeting</i>	26	27	28
29	30					