

Remember a Permit When Replacing a Furnace

The Village of Long Grove requires that a permit be obtained for all furnace replacements, which require a qualified inspector to ensure that the unit meets building code requirements and manufacturer's guidelines. Obtaining a permit helps to safeguard this investment and make sure that it is safe for residents.

As with many mechanical devices, oxygen is required for the unit to operate properly. A lack of oxygen can result in the need for repairs and can reduce the life span of the unit. Gas and electric appliances are vented and must be properly installed so they are safe for in-home use. Improperly installed furnaces can cause illness, injury or even death.

Homeowner's insurance may not cover the cost of damages, repairs or replacement of a furnace if a building permit was not obtained.

Homeowners should not ever trust a contractor or individual who states that a permit isn't necessary when installing a furnace. For questions regarding furnace installation requirements, or the building permit process, please contact the Long Grove Building Department at [847-634-9440](tel:847-634-9440).