

Professional Design Requirements and Acceptability of Documents

Per Sections 105 and 107 of the 2012 International Building Code, as adopted By the Nebraska Building Construction Act (Nebraska Revised Statute 71-6401), as well as the Rules and Regulations of the State of Nebraska Engineer's and Architect's Board, the Code Official is responsible for determining the acceptability of Documents submitted for Permit.

In line with these requirements, professional design, by a Licensed Architect or Registered Professional Engineer is required whenever a project:

- Exceeds \$100,000 in cost
- Exceeds the area limitations allowed as exempt from design requirements in Chapter 10, Section 10.3 of Title 110 of the Nebraska Administrative Code. Please note that the "total impacted area" may include areas outside of the actual work area, if Life Safety, Structural, HVAC and Plumbing systems are to be affected by the work.
- Is not exempted by the scope limitations established by Section 10.4 of the same document.

The Building Official will review each project to determine whether professional design is required. It is not acceptable to submit closely related smaller projects as a means to circumvent design requirements.

Contact UNL Building & Safety, by email to: buildsafe@unl.edu if you have any question regarding these requirements. Please see the referenced links at: <http://facilities.unl.edu/building-fire-safety-external-links> for information regarding the basis of this policy.