

**CATAWBA COUNTY
BUILDING SERVICES DIVISION
FLOODED STRUCTURE INSPECTION PROCESS
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1. Remove all wet material and begin the drying out process.
2. Allow to dry thoroughly.
3. Refer to "Flooded Structure Demolition & Cleanup Guidelines" and obtain required permits. Permits for flooded structures will receive priority processing over other construction permits.
4. **A moisture content inspection shall be certified by a North Carolina Licensed General Contractor or by a North Carolina Registered Architect or Engineer.**
5. If passed and you have proper permits, you may begin replacing portions of the electrical, mechanical, plumbing, and building systems as required or needed. (All structural repairs must be inspected before covering).
6. Call for inspections on these systems once rough-ins are complete.
7. If passed, you may re-insulate and schedule an insulation inspection.
8. If passed, you may replace wall covering and complete the project.
9. Once complete, call for final inspections.
10. If passed, an inspection report will be issued authorizing you to reoccupy the structure.

To schedule inspections, the permit contractor must call 828-465-5127. You will need the following information:

- **Permit Number**
- **Your name and the address of the job**
- **The type of inspection that you need**
- **Phone number where you can be contacted**

Your request will be given priority over other non-flooded related inspections, and conducted as soon as possible. The inspector will leave an inspection report if passed, or why the inspection failed. An orange sticker will be posted at the electrical meter or transformer location to allow the power to be re-energized by the local utility.