

Environmental Health Plan Review Notice

If you will be commencing construction or operation of any of the uses listed below, you must also apply to the Catawba County Environmental Health department for a permit and provide a set of plans for review. A Contact Information for Plan Review sheet must be completed and submitted with the plan.

Facilities serving food to the public must also submit a “Food Service Plan Review” application and a plan review fee. [Click here for fee schedule.](#)

Public swimming pools and spas also submit the “Application for Public Swimming Pool Operation Permit” and plan review fee (see fee schedule).

Tattoo establishments must also submit the “Application for Tattooing Permit” and application fee (see fee schedule).

The forms are available at the Catawba County Building Services, or on the Environmental Health website . [_____](#)

The General Statutes of North Carolina, under Public Health Law, § GS 130A, and the North Carolina Administrative Code, 15A NCAC 18A, prohibit commencing construction on these types of facilities without first submitting plans and receiving approval from the local Environmental Health Department.

- Restaurant or any other facility selling food to the public
- Meat Market
- School Building or Lunchroom, public or private (includes colleges)
- Commissaries
- Elderly Nutrition Site
- Sport concession stand
- Hotel, Motel, or other Lodging establishment
- Bed and Breakfast Home or Inn
- Summer Camp
- Rest or Nursing Home
- Hospital
- Child Day Care Facility
- Migrant Housing
- Residential Care
- Jail
- Orphanage, Children’s Home or similar
- Tattoo Parlor
- Swimming pool, spa, water spray area or other public impoundment of water
(*except single-family private residences*)

If you have questions regarding whether your facility must obtain a plan review and permit from the Environmental Health Department, please call (828) 465-8270, or visit our offices, located in the Catawba County Government Center at 100A Southwest Boulevard, in Newton, North Carolina.