

Helpful Permitting Links for Hawaii SPEED Task Force

This document compiles important and county-specific permitting resources across the state of Hawai'i to support the SPEED Task Force's mission to simplify permitting and promote economic development.

Statewide Resources

- **DBEDT Permitting Reports and Studies**
https://dbedt.hawaii.gov/economic/reports_studies/
Research and data on building permits, delays, valuation, and reform opportunities.
 - **Green Industry Program Presentation**
https://planning.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/Green-Industry-Program-Presentation_WEB-VERSION1.pdf
Step-by-step overview of Hawaii's permitting landscape.
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Department-Based Resources

- **State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) – Historic Review Process**
<https://dlnr.hawaii.gov/shpd/state-review-compliance/>
Outlines the Section 6E historic preservation review process required for permits affecting historic or cultural resources.
 - **Department of Health (DOH) – Individual Wastewater System (IWS) Permits**
<https://health.hawaii.gov/wastewater/home/iws/>
Provides guidelines and forms for installing or modifying septic and cesspool systems, including permit application details.
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Kaua'i County

- **Building Permit Guide**
<https://www.kauai.gov/Government/Departments-Agencies/Public-Works/Building-Division/Permitting>
 - **County Permitting & Rules Overview**
<https://www.kauai.gov/Government/Departments-Agencies/Parks/Permitting>
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Hawaii County

- **Residential Building Permit Guidelines (PDF)**
<https://records.hawaiicounty.gov/WebLink/1/edoc/66644/Residential%20Building%20Permit%20Guidelines.pdf>
 - **Hawaii County Building Permit Packet**
https://energy.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2013/11/Building-Permit_Hawaii-County_Public-Works-Department.pdf
 - **Public Works Permit Portal – Forms & Info**
<https://hawaii-county-public-works-hawaiicountygis.hub.arcgis.com/pages/blg-building-forms>
 - **2025-02 DPW Building Permits Report**
<https://records.hawaiicounty.gov/weblink/1/edoc/148363/2025-02%20DPW%20Building%20Permits.pdf>
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Maui County

- **Maui Building Permit Packet**
<https://energy.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2011/12/maui-19-Building-Permit.pdf>
 - **Official Building Permit Overview**
<https://www.mauicounty.gov/1208/Building-Permit>
 - **MAPPS Self-Service Portal for Permits**
<https://mapps.mauicounty.gov/222/DSA-Building-Permit>
 - **SMA/Coastal Permitting Overview**
<https://www.mauicounty.gov/695/Permitting-and-Assessment-Process>
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Honolulu City and County

- **DPP Permitting Overview**
<https://www.honolulu.gov/dpp/permitting.html>
- **Instant Online Permit Eligibility Map**
<https://www.honolulu.gov/dpp/permitting/building-permits-home/instant-online-building-permits>
- **Building Permit Checklist PDF**
<https://www4.honolulu.gov/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-347535/building-permit-checklist.pdf>

- **DBEDT Report: Building Permit Delays (2025)**
https://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/economic/reports/building_permit_delays.pdf
- **Trends in Honolulu Building Permits 2005–2024 (June 2025)**
https://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/economic/reports/Trends_in_Honolulu_Building_Permits_2005-2024_June_2025.pdf

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