

Residential Electrical Panel Upgrade Checklist

- Complete Building Permit Application
 - Plot Plan must include the following - 2 copies
 1. Legal description (parcel # (APN), lot #, subdivision name)
 2. North arrow
 3. Location of existing house, structures, fences, pools, spas etc.
 4. Location of service panels/panel boards to be installed
 - Single Line Diagram – 2 copies
 1. Service point
 2. Conductor location, size, type and number of
 3. Conduit location, proposed burial depth, length of run, size, type and number of
 - Panel Schedule – 2 copies
 1. Before and After panel schedule presentation
 2. Include breaker size, locations and areas of which they serve
 3. Load calculations for subpanel (if applicable)
 - Provide grounding electrode conductor and grounding electrode:
 1. Grounding electrode is a metallic rod driven into the earth.
 2. (2) Ground rods minimum 8' long
 3. Grounding electrode conductor must terminate on rod with an acorn cap.
 4. Grounding electrode must be a minimum solid #4 AWG bare copper conductor
- Or***
- Provide Ufer (concrete encased electrode)
 1. The Ufer shall be 20 feet of solid #4 AWG bare copper conductor in concrete with solid # 4 AWG bare electrode conductor to the service entrance section
 - Bonding
 1. Water Bond – Provide a metallic, minimum #4 AWG bare copper conductor connected with a water bond clamp to the cold water supply at an outside hose bib or at the cold-water piping of the water heater. This must be readily accessible.
 2. Gas Bond – Provide a minimum of #4 AWG bare copper conductor connected on the user side to the gas line with an approved clamp that is readily accessible.
 - Additional Information**
 1. Keep area clear for 36 inches in front of electric panel
 2. All overhead services must have a point of attachment on the weather head mast.
 3. All breakers inside the service panel must be compatible with the panel cover (dead front) and permanent ink must be used.