

BUILDING SAFETY

OVERVIEW



Marion County Building Safety is a department of the Marion County Board of County Commissioners that strives to ensure the health, safety and public welfare of the built environment in Marion County by enforcing the Florida Building Code and related **Marion County ordinances in an efficient and cost-effective manner.**

To ensure a safe built environment, the department issues permits, reviews plans, verifies contractor licenses and performs inspections for each project.

The Contractor Licensing Division is responsible for making sure contractors working in Marion County are properly licensed by Marion County and/or the State of Florida.

Marion County ePlans is a web-based system that provides for electronic plan submittal and review. EPlans saves time and money while promoting a more efficient review process. Submittals are reviewed simultaneously, reviewer comments are viewed in ePlans as a written document as well as illustrated on the drawings, and only a minimal number of plans require printing.

KEY SERVICES



- Contractor registration/renewal.
- Electronic permit application filing.
- Express permits for selected services (Garage doors, HVAC change outs, minor electrical, re-roofs, siding, window/door replacements).
- Informational documents.
- Job site inspections.
- Permit reviews.
- Plan reviews for compliance.

FUNDING



Funding sources include:

- Fines/fees (licensing and permitting fees).*

*This department does not receive general fund money (property taxes). It is funded solely by its users (fines and fees).

MARION COUNTY

- 1,652 square miles.
- Population: 345,749.
- Florida's fifth largest county; larger than the state of Rhode Island.
- Known as the "Horse Capital of the World," the county's rich equine and agricultural heritage is internationally renowned.
- Comprises thousands of acres of national forest, 32,000 acres of lakes, 92 miles of rivers and more than 40 springs, including Silver Springs, which is recognized as one of the largest artesian spring formations in the world.

By the Numbers*

112,076 Client calls processed

55,787 Inspections performed

17,438 Permits issued

*FY 15-16



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