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# Inspections and Permits Accepting Third Party Footing Certifications during the COVID-19 Pandemic

As the Department of Inspections and Permits continues to provide essential government service with reduced staffing levels, effective immediately the department will begin accepting footing certifications from third party professionals.

Certifications shall be performed by a licensed engineer or design professional in accordance with building codes accepted by Anne Arundel County.

Please see specific requirements attached.



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#### **REQUIREMENTS FOR**

### FOOTING CERTIFICATIONS PRIOR TO THE PLACEMENT OF CONCRETE DURING THE

#### **COVID – 19 CRISIS**

For approval to certify footings during the COVID – 19 Crisis, you must first contact the Assistant Director at (410) 222-7737 for prior approval. There will be a check of the permit status, and all proper grading approvals must be in place prior to authorization. Certification of footings during the **COVID** – **19 CRISIS** must meet all the following requirements.

- 1. A minimum of 4 test locations of actual soil pressures along the footing line. One on each side of the structure. Each test is to be within 12 inches of the edge of the footing and at the plane of the footing bearing.
- 2. A drawing showing the interval and location of all test sites and the test result for each site.
- 3. The footing shall be certified in accordance with the Anne Arundel County Building Code (Article 15), the 2015 International Building Code, and the 2015 International Residential Code; including
  - A) Methods of verification of soils pressure;
  - B) Dimensions of footing;
  - C) Depth of footing below grade;
  - D) Verification of footing ground, location, type and size;
  - E) Site Location Survey,
  - F) A statement that the footing is installed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications.
  - (G) Pictures must be submitted of the entire footing specifically the footing ground.

### All documents must be signed and sealed by an Engineer or Design Professional licensed to perform such tasks.

All certification reports must be submitted within 10 working days of the certification to the Department of Inspections and Permits office marked attention Building Inspection Division.

Anne Arundel County reserves the right to require removal of any footing that is placed without inspection or does not meet the minimums requirements stated above.