

Codes

The following codes used by the Town of Kent as of May 12th. 2020:

- 2020 Building Code of New York State
- 2020 Residential Code of New York
- 2020 Fire Code of New York
- 2020 Energy Conservation Construction Code of New York
- 2020 Existing Building Code of New York
- 2020 Property Maintenance Code of New York
- 2020 Plumbing Code of New York
- 2020 Mechanical Code of New York
- 2020 Fuel Gas Code of New York
- 2017 National Electrical Code

This Building Department of the Town of Kent enforces the 2020 Building Codes of New York, regulations and the local Code of the Town as of May 12, 2020

Enforcement of these codes includes reviewing application, drawings and specific inspection and interfacing with other county and state agencies, ultimately providing for compliance and occupancy.

The services of the building department include:

- Processing Application for building permits
- Inspection for building permits and issuance of Certificates of Occupancy (C.O.) completed construction – **Every Permit must be closed with Certificates of Occupancy or Certificates of Compliance.**
- Inspection for building permits and issuance of Certificates of Compliance (C.C.) completed installation of replacement equipment, Demolition permits.
- Enforcement of the NYCRR (New York Code of Rules and Regulation) the building code

- Referrals of application to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) and Planning department where appropriate.
- House Numbering
- Unsafe Building / Vacant home
- Litter / Property Maintenance – Local and State codes
- Flood Damage Prevention – MS4
- Plumbing - well, septic and sewer permits /connection
- Site plan review
- MS4 – Storm water / wetlands / fuel spills
- Underground fuel oil tanks installation and removal

The building department works in cooperation with Putnam County Health Department, the New York City of Environmental Protection and county inspectors for electrical work, in its review of building plans for permits and construction.

While the term “construction as used here is board and general, residents and contractors are advised and encouraged to contact the building Department for assistance regarding specific information that may be applicable to their project.

Old State codes and International codes state that “all new homes and existing homes must have their house number on them”.

- Shall be a minimum of 4” high with a minimum stroke width of 0.5”
- This house number must be installed prior to any type of certificate of occupancy the needs to be issued.