

**City of Asheville  
Fire Marshal's Office  
PROCEDURE TO OBTAIN A FUMIGATION PERMIT**

The City of Asheville requires a permit to be issued to conduct fumigation or thermal insecticidal fogging where a toxic or flammable fumigant is used.

Permit Applications, which typically take 2-3 business days to process, are available at the One Stop Development Center located at:

Building Safety Department  
161 S. Charlotte St.  
P.O. Box 7148, Asheville, NC  
Phone: (828) 259-5846

**Permit Requirements:**

**Three (3) sets of material data safety sheets on the materials being used must be submitted for approval with your application.**

1. The site of fumigation or fogging shall be clear from all ignition sources.
2. Electricity shall be terminated except for fans designed in this application.
3. Appropriate warning signs shall be posted on site.
4. Breathing apparatus shall be maintained and available for persons engaged in operations.
5. There shall be watch personnel at entrances of the affected area to prevent entry.
6. Paper used to seal the building shall comply with NFPA 701 for flame spread propagation.
7. The affected area shall be properly vented and cleaned at the end of ops.
8. After the permit is issued, call 828-259-5441 to confirm the start and termination of the fumigation or fogging operation.

**Restrictions:**

1. Fogging liquids with a flash point below 100 degrees F shall not be utilized.
2. The use of carbon disulfide and hydrogen cyanide is restricted to agricultural uses only, **not buildings**.

**Definitions:**

Fumigant: A substance which by itself or in combination with any other substance emits or liberates a gas, fume or vapor utilized for the destruction or control of

insects, fungi, vermin, germs, rats, or other pests, and shall be distinguished from insecticides and disinfectants which are essentially effective in the solid or liquid phases.

Fumigation: The utilization within an enclosed space of a fumigant in concentrations that is hazardous or acutely toxic to humans.

Thermal Insecticidal Fogging: The utilization of insecticidal liquids passed through thermal fog-generating units where, by means of heat, pressure and turbulence, such liquids are transformed and discharged in the form of fog or mist blown into an area to be treated.

**Please call (828) 259-5441  
at least 48 hours in advance to request your site inspection.**

