



Department of Commerce

Division of Real Estate
& Professional Licensing

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Home Inspectors

We thank you for all you are doing to fulfill essential real estate services to your community and the entire State of Ohio. We hope this information is helpful to you. As always, if you have any questions, please email OHIB@com.state.oh.us. Please stay safe and be well during this extraordinary time.

The Ohio Home Inspector Board (Board) approved rules as required in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 4764. In compliance with that statute, the rules approved by the Board were filed with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR) and were set for a public hearing on March 31, 2020. In order to help contain the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19), the Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of Real Estate and Professional Licensing (Division) cancelled the public hearing and withdrew the rules from JCARR jurisdiction. The Division withdrew the rules specifically to ensure anyone wishing to offer public comments may do so without violating Ohio's Stay Home Order. The Division intends to refile the Board's rules at a later date. Individuals may currently perform home inspections without a license until July 1, 2020. However, given the ongoing health emergency, it is recommended individuals continue to monitor the Division's website for program developments.

Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Home Inspector Licensing Program

https://www.com.ohio.gov/documents/real_HomeInspectorArticle.pdf

PSI Testing for Credentials

https://www.com.ohio.gov/documents/REPL_COVID-19LicenseCandidatesGuidancefinal.pdf

Please note that testing centers are closed and not scheduling examinations until May 1st, the current end date of Ohio's Stay Home Order. This date may be extended; please check with PSI.

Ohio Department of Health – COVID-19 Response

<https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/home>

<https://www.com.ohio.gov/documents/coronavirus2.pdf>

<http://jfs.ohio.gov/ouio/CoronavirusAndUI.stm>

<https://businesshelp.ohio.gov/>

Federal Government – COVID-19 Response

<https://www.coronavirus.gov/>