

The following information was current as of November 10, 2006, per the Haverford Township (610-446-1000) website:
<http://www.haverfordtownship.com/zoning>

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Use And Occupancy Certifications - Residential

The following is a list of the items that Township inspectors typically check when a property is being sold. Haverford Township requires that an application for Use and Occupancy Certification be made by the seller of a property, at least 30 days prior to settlement. A fee of \$50.00 per dwelling unit is required to be paid at the time of application. This fee, as with all fees collected by the Codes Enforcement Office, is used to offset the costs associated with the service provided.

This check list is provided to assist property owners, realtors and agents in anticipating the items which must be brought into compliance prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Use and Occupancy.

House Numbers: Must be at least 3.5" high, clearly visible from street, with sufficient contrast so as to be easily read in inclement weather at night.
From the Front: Visible from street to which address number applies.
From the Rear: Required if property abuts a rear alley, street or other right of way
An affidavit of compliance must be supplied before a CO will be issued.

Smoke Detectors: At least one per level, including attic if stair access present. Units must be placed within 6" of ceiling. Battery powered units allowed in existing homes. ***An affidavit of compliance must be supplied before a CO will be issued.***

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Handrails and Guardrails: Must support at least 200 pound load. Allowed materials are wood or metal. Intermediate rails, balusters or ornamental closures must not allow passage of a 4" diameter object. Rails must be 36" high.

- Guardrails: Required for any area more than 30" above or below adjacent grade.
- Handrails: Required if 4 or more risers without a "substantial" break in ascent.

Curbs & Sidewalks: Curbs require a minimum 3" reveal. Deviations of elevation of 1" or more on a sidewalk constitute a tripping hazard and must be corrected.