

- ✚ Amendments to these codes are available at the Washington State Building Code Council www.sbccc.wa.gov/sbccindx.html
 - ✚ International Code Council: [Evaluation Service](#) will give you free reports on building materials you may be considering for use.
 - ✚ Electrical (L&I) www.lni.wa.gov/scs/electrical/
 - ✚ International Code Council (ICC) website www.iccsafe.org/ Purchase at: www.iccsafe.org/e/prodcat.html?catid=I-Codes&xq=x
 - ✚ [Office of the State Fire Marshal](#)
 - ✚ [US Fire Administration](#)
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Design Guidelines

1. Minimum Snow Loads in Lincoln County: Roof 40 lb/sqft, Ground 50 lb/sqft
2. Frost Depth is 30 inches (from finished graded to bottom of footing)
3. Design for winds of 85 MPH
4. Design for Exposure Class C
5. Seismic Design Category C
6. Termite Infestation: Slight to moderate.
7. Radon: Zone 2, Moderate Potential (from 2-4 pCi/L). EPA recommends that all homes that measure 4 and greater be mitigated.
8. Rebar is not required in slabs but is highly recommended.
9. [Egress Windows](#): 5.7 Square feet minimum, 44" Maximum Sill Height. All bedrooms must have egress windows.
10. Railings must be a minimum of 36" tall (34" on stairs) on structures more than 30" high.
11. Wood Stoves: Use the manufacturer's recommendations.
12. [ADA Accessibility Guidelines for Buildings and Facilities](#) (ADAAG)
13. [Click here](#) to research the soils for your site. There is a great deal of information available here that may help you plan the best building for your location.

Miscellaneous Notes and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. From the time that the building permit is issued, you have 180 days to start construction. Permits become null and void if work or construction authorized is not commenced within 180 days. The permit is valid for 18 months from the date it is issued. The permit may be