

# Marin County

## Voluntary Drywall Self-Certification Form/Affidavit

**INTENT:** The intent of this self-certification is to facilitate California licensed contractors in the installation verification of common drywall in single-family dwellings, in accordance with the codes and standards specified below. It is **NOT** the intent of this self-certification to certify the installation of any fire rated gypsum board, when required by Table R302.6 of the California Residential Code, **OR** any gypsum board specifically requiring increased panel attachment for lateral resistance purposes. It is also **NOT** the intent of this self-certification to allow non-compliance with the California Building Standards Code.

**IMPORTANT:** Completion and submittal of this form is required to pass inspections and finalize this permit. Incomplete or non-legible forms will not be accepted by Marin County CDA – Building & Safety.

**I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury by my initials below, I certify to each of the following:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ I understand, as the California licensed contractor in whose name this permit may be issued and who will be performing the work authorized by this permit, that I am solely responsible and liable for the quality of work performed under this permit, and for knowing and complying with all applicable State laws, Marin County Code requirements and manufacturer’s specifications; and I agree to fulfill these aforementioned responsibilities.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ I understand and agree, as the California licensed contractor in whose name this permit may be issued, that my use of this *Drywall Self-Certification* program is elective and purely voluntary, and that I have the option to choose a traditional site-inspection for this proposed scope of work, but willingly choose to participate in this optional *Self-Certification* program. **I further agree to fully disclose the terms of this Self-Certification program to the property owner indicated in this permit application.**

3. \_\_\_\_\_ I understand failure on my part to observe or fulfill my obligations under this voluntary *Self-Certification program* may result in disciplinary measures initiated by the California Contractors State License Board against my license.

4. \_\_\_\_\_ I agree to save, indemnify and keep harmless the County of Marin against liabilities, judgments, costs and expenses which may in any way accrue against said County in consequence of my participating in this voluntary *Self-Certification program*.

5. \_\_\_\_\_ I understand I must satisfy the following Marin County requirements for this drywall inspection to be finalized:

**Typical California Building Code requirements applicable to Sheetrock/Drywall installations:**

Gypsum construction	<a href="#">CBC 2508</a>	Gypsum board, gypsum panel products and gypsum plaster construction shall be of the materials listed in Tables 2506.2 and 2507.2 These materials shall be assembled and installed in compliance with the appropriate standards listed in Tables 2508.1 and 2511.1.1 and Chapter 35 of the California Building Code.
Weather protection	<a href="#">CBC 2508.1</a> , <a href="#">2508.2</a>	Gypsum wallboard or gypsum plaster shall not be used in any exterior surface where such gypsum construction will be exposed directly to the weather. Gypsum wallboard shall not be used where there will be direct exposure to water or continuous high humidity conditions. Gypsum wallboard shall not be installed until weather protected.
Applications	<a href="#">CBC 2508.3</a>	Edges and ends of gypsum board and gypsum panel products shall occur on the framing members, except those edges and ends that are perpendicular to the framing members. Edges and ends of gypsum board and gypsum panel products shall be in moderate contact except in concealed spaces where fire-resistance-rated construction, shear resistance or diaphragm action is not required.

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Installation	<a href="#">CBC 2508.5.2</a> <a href="#">CRC R702.3.6</a>	Gypsum board or gypsum panel products used in a horizontal diaphragm ceiling shall be installed perpendicular to ceiling framing members. End joints of adjacent courses of gypsum board shall not occur on the same joist. Fasteners and spacing used for attachment of gypsum board or gypsum panel products to a horizontal diaphragm ceiling shall be as defined in Table 2508.5 of the CBC, or Tables R702.3.5 or R702.3.6 and shall comply with manufacturer's specifications. Fasteners shall be spaced not more than 3/8 inch from the edges and ends of the gypsum board or gypsum panel product.
Showers & Tubs	<a href="#">CBC 2509.2</a>	Materials used as a base for wall tile in tub and shower areas and wall and ceiling panels in shower areas shall be either (1) Glass mat gypsum backing panel. (2) Nonasbestos fiber-cement backer board, or (3) Nonasbestos fiber-mat reinforced cementitious backer unit. EXCEPTION. Water resistant gypsum backing board shall not be used (1) Over a vapor retarder in shower or bathtub compartments. (2) Where there will be direct exposure to water or in areas subject to high humidity.

**Directions:** Please verify, complete and initial each item below.

6. \_\_\_\_\_ I certify this drywall installation is in compliance with all applicable sections of the current California Building Standards Code, as provided above, and the manufacturer's specifications for the type of gypsum product(s) installed under the provisions of this permit.

**I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury by my signature below, I have:**

- Reviewed and satisfied all applicable Code requirements contained within this permit application and this Voluntary Drywall Self-Certification Form.
- Inspected and verified each of the Code provisions listed above prior to my certifying their compliance with my initials.

**California Licensed Contractor of Record for this Self-Certification**

Contractor Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Building Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: This completed form can be emailed to [BuildingInspection@MarinCounty.org](mailto:BuildingInspection@MarinCounty.org)