

PRACTICE BULLETIN

Schedule of Buildings Requiring an NWTAA Stamp

The following table indicates buildings of which drawings must be prepared and stamped by an Authorized Practitioner registered with the Northwest Territories Association of Architects (NWTAA), as categorized by the *National Building Code of Canada* (2010).

This stamp must be in place on drawings submitted to an authority having jurisdiction (AHJ) within the Northwest Territories.

MAJOR OCCUPANCIES	3 stories or less in height, and gross area* of 600m² or less	4 stories or more in height, and gross area* of 601m ² or more
Assembly [Group A, Divisions 1 to 4]	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Institutional [Group B, Divisions 1 to 2]	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Residential [Group C]	recommended	REQUIRED
Business & Personal Services [Group D]	recommended	REQUIRED
Mercantile [Group E]	recommended	REQUIRED
High Hazard Industrial [Group F, Division 1]	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Medium Hazard Industrial [Group F, Division 2]	recommended	REQUIRED
Low Hazard Industrial [Group F, Division 3]	recommended	REQUIRED
Farm Buildings (not for public use)	recommended	recommended
Relocatable Industrial Camp Buildings	recommended	REQUIRED

- * *Gross Area* is defined as "the combined sum of the gross areas of all floors in a building, measured to the external face of exterior walls."
- ¹ Townhouse construction will require confirmation of Building Area, as blocks of townhouses frequently exceed a gross building area of 600m².
- ² Interconnected Floor Areas will require confirmation that the Authorized Practitioner is authorized to practice in this category of building.

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