



PRECAUTIONS DURING EXCAVATIONS FOR INFILL HOUSING - DECLARATION

Excavation to facilitate the construction of a building can cause damage to adjacent properties if not properly performed. As part of the excavation process, the property owner, designer and builder must work together and consider adequate shoring installation method to prevent damage to the adjacent private and public properties, with specific consideration to the following Ontario Building Code (OBC) requirement:

ONTARIO BUILDING CODE

Division B, Article 9.12.1.4. Precautions During Excavation

- (1) Every excavation¹ shall be undertaken in such a manner to prevent damage to adjacent property², existing structures, utilities, roads and sidewalks at all stages of construction.
- (2) Material shall not be placed nor shall equipment be operated or placed in or adjacent to an excavation¹ in a manner that may endanger the integrity of the excavation or its supports.

¹ Excavation means the space created by the removal of soil, rock or fill for the purposes of construction.

² Adjacent property includes landscaping, walkways, driveways, fences, etc.

In order to address this requirement, this form is to be completed by the person [in consultation with person(s) with suitable knowledge and experience as necessary, such as an engineer, architect, BCIN designer and/or builder] who will take the responsibility for ensuring compliance with the OBC as well as all other applicable regulations relating to the excavation.

Project Location: _____ Permit Application No. _____

I declare that I am aware of my responsibilities for ensuring compliance relating with OBC Div. B, Article 9.12.1.4. for the building permit application noted above. I also fully understand my responsibilities and obligations under the Ministry of Labour (MOL) as it relates to the required excavation.

Applicant / Property Owner / Builder Name: _____ Signature _____