



**DIVISION OF PLANNING AND PERMITTING
FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND**

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Effective March 25, 2011, the following plumbing appliances and fixtures may be replaced in an owner-occupied residence in Frederick County* with a LIKE-KIND appliance or fixture WITHOUT a plumbing permit and inspection:

- Dishwasher
- Garbage Disposal
- Washing Machine
- Water Closet (toilet)
- Water Heater

The replacement can be done by either the homeowner or a Plumber who holds an active Frederick County plumbing license, with the exception of a water heater, which must be done by a Plumber.

A permit and inspections will be required for any NEW installations.

A permit and inspections will be required for any GAS appliances.

"LIKE-KIND" means having the same mechanical and electrical ratings as the appliance being replaced.

Unlicensed persons other than the homeowner may NOT replace these plumbing appliances or fixtures.

*For properties within the City of Frederick or incorporated limits of the Town of Mt. Airy, please contact those jurisdictions for plumbing permit requirements, as they are not subject to Frederick County Plumbing Code regulations.

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