



VARIANCE REQUEST FORM

(Deadline for submission is 20 days prior to the Board meeting)

Date _____

Check one Homeowner Contractor Registration / Master # _____
 Other _____

REQUESTING PARTY INFORMATION (Relationship to Property owner): _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Permit # _____ (attach copy) Permit Date _____

Property Owner _____

Property Name (if school, school name) _____

Property Address _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

*Email Address (preferred method of contact) _____

Code Section(s) to be considered _____

Description of variance requested (summary required) _____

Reason for request (summary required) _____

Please provide a sketch and dimensions for review, when applicable.

§12-58-104.5(4), C.R.S. gives authority to the Examining Board of Plumbers to: "review and approve or disapprove requests for exceptions to the code in unique construction situations where a strict interpretation of the code would result in unreasonable operational conditions or unreasonable economic burdens as long as public safety is not compromised."

The Content of this application must not be changed. If the content is changed, the applicant may be referred to the Colorado State Attorney General's Office for violation of Colorado Law.



Variance Request Instructions

Plumbing Board's Authority to Review Variance Requests:

The Examining Board of Plumbers may grant variances to the adopted Colorado plumbing code as authorized by §12-58-104.5 (1)-(4), C.R.S. that states:

- (1) In accordance with the provisions of article 4 of title 24, C.R.S., the board shall establish a Colorado plumbing code, as defined in section 12-58-102(4). Such code shall represent the minimum standards for installation, alteration, and repair of plumbing equipment and systems throughout the state.
- (2) Local governments shall be permitted to amend the code when adopting a plumbing code for their jurisdictions as long as such amendments are at least equal to the minimum requirements set forth in the Colorado plumbing code.
- (3) If petitioned, the board shall annually hold public hearings to consider amendments to the Colorado plumbing code.
- (4) The board is authorized to review and approve or disapprove requests for exceptions to the code in unique construction situations where a strict interpretation of the code would result in unreasonable operational conditions or unreasonable economic burdens as long as public safety is not compromised.

Form Completion:

It is important that the request for a variance aligns with the criteria as stated above under §12-58-104.5 (4) to be legally granted by the Board. Therefore, when submitting a variance to the Board, please complete and provide the document "Variance Request Form" (found on the website @ www.dora.state.co.us/plumbing/ under 'Forms'. All areas on this form should be addressed. Incomplete forms will be returned for missing information. The Board is especially concerned that public safety is not compromised. Therefore, if you require more space than provided on the form, additional pages may be submitted; however it is necessary to submit the "Variance Request Form" as a summary of your request.

What the Board Will Address:

The Board will look for the variance request to address the following:

- Requesting party information and how the party is involved in the project.
- Property information (permit information including the number and date of issuance, property address, etc.)
- The plumbing code section to be considered for the variance.
- Description of the variance request (detail specific information regarding the variation from the code - cite the code section).
- Reason for the request. Are there extenuating circumstances that would either:
 - Result in unreasonable operational conditions if the variance was not granted, or
 - Result in unreasonable economic burdens if the variance was not granted, and
 - What circumstances necessitate a variance request
- Additional information, (i.e., sketches, drawings, photographs) when applicable.