

**HOMEOWNER BUILDING PERMIT POLICY**

The Michigan Licensing Law under ACT 229, Section 339.2402 Residential Builders, gives a homeowner an exemption to act as his or her own general contractor.

(Example): The homeowner may obtain a building permit for construction on his or her own property, even if a licensed or unlicensed contractor may be significantly involved.

If, you the homeowner choose to act as your own contractor and obtain the required building permit (PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING):

**AS THE PERMIT HOLDER YOU, THE HOMEOWNER INCUR ALL OF LIABILITY AND ALL OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES THAT THE LICENSED CONTRACTOR WOULD NORMALLY ASSUME.**

- Chikaming Township cannot assist you in any case of action against any contractor that (you) the Homeowner hires to perform work under the building permit you obtained.
- You, the Homeowner, could be held liable for any damages that occur on the job, whether it is by the builder or subcontractor employees.
- You, the Homeowner, could be held liable for any injury that occurs on the job whether it is to the builder or subcontractor employees.
- In the event of an occurrence beyond the builder's control, which causes the builder to be unable to complete the work, the Homeowner will be legally responsible for the completion of the job, under the permit you obtained.
- It is you the Homeowner that has the responsibility to have a complete understanding of the current Building Codes.
- If this is not your principal resident, the property owner may only obtain a building permit. All other permits are obtained by licensed contractors.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ have read and understand the above information and will adhere  
(print name)

to all rules and regulations submitted in this policy. I certify, under penalty of law that the referenced property is my principal homestead and that I claim no similar exemption for any other property in any other locations.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

Property address \_\_\_\_\_ Tax ID # 07- \_\_\_\_\_