

The Tennessee Permitting & Code Compliance Checklist

Building and development in Tennessee comes with unique challenges—from complex permitting processes to the growing need for flood-resilient infrastructure. With the right tools, local governments can stay ahead, streamline operations, and build smarter for long-term community safety.



PERMIT PROCESSING & CODE COMPLIANCE



Offer online permit applications – Cut paperwork and make submissions easier for both applicants and staff



Automate code tracking – Stay current with state building code changes and local ordinances



Use standardized workflows – Create consistent, efficient review processes across departments



Apply GIS tools to planning – Visualize zoning, infrastructure, and flood-prone areas to guide development



Communicate clearly with applicants – Centralize updates and documents to reduce confusion and delays



INSPECTIONS, ENFORCEMENT, & RESILIENCE



Mobilize your inspections team – Conduct and document field visits directly from the job site



Track violations digitally – Resolve code issues faster with built-in reporting and automation



Offer public-facing portals – Keep residents informed about permitting, approvals, and project progress



Use data to drive improvements – Spot bottlenecks and uncover opportunities to streamline your process



Build with resilience in mind – Leverage GIS and permitting data to guide safer zoning and protect against future flooding

BUILDING A MORE EFFICIENT PERMITTING PROCESS

By embracing purpose-built technologies, Tennessee communities can streamline inspections, accelerate approvals, and improve coordination across departments. A modern permitting process saves time, strengthens resilience, supports growth, and helps staff do more with less.

Ready to modernize how your community builds and develops? [Let's talk.](#)