



Avoyelles Parish Police Jury
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Structure Demolition Permits

The Avoyelles Parish Police Jury voted to adopt Demolition Regulations at the July 2025 regular meeting for abandoned or blighted structures (buildings) that fall under their jurisdiction within the parish.

Anyone planning to demolish a structure within the Police Jury jurisdiction (throughout the parish except within municipal areas) **MUST** purchase a demolition permit. The reason is two fold:

1. Prevent pulling up water and gas lines attached to the structure
2. Oversight that a job started is a job fully completed.

Permit fees:

1. Residential, \$50
2. Commercial, \$100

Permits shall be required for structures typically connected to utilities. Demolition of structures such as barns, etc. that are not connected to utilities will usually not require a permit.

If a demolition project is begun without a permit, the responsible party shall be given one business day grace-period from being reported to obtain a permit. Fines shall be imposed if

1. A demolition permit is not obtained
2. The demolition project was not completed satisfactorily.

Fines imposed will be as such:

1. Contractors ... \$2500
2. Property Owners ... \$250

Permits shall be issued for a 30-day period with a one-time 15-day extension if deemed necessary, which is to be granted by the Avoyelles Parish Planning Commission.

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