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City of Oregon City

**BUILDING DIVISION**  
**POLICY**

# Foundation Damp Proofing

The 2015 Edition of the State of Oregon Residential Specialty Code Section R406.1 specifies that foundation walls that retain earth and enclose interior spaces below grade shall be damp proofed from the top of the footing to the finished grade.

At the July 13, 2007 meeting of the Tri-County Building Officials, it was agreed that “interior space” would be defined as storage space that is provided with a floor system. The flooring may be of framed wood construction or a concrete slab.

Any wall requiring damp proofing shall be inspected and approved prior to backfilling of the wall.