

# You can apply to LABC Barnet in one of two ways

## 1 Full Plans application

For the majority of applications, our building control team will check and 'approve' plans **before work starts**. You will need to submit all drawings, specifications and where necessary calculations for the structure and thermal resistance. This type of application **reduces** the risk of contravening the regulations and helps **avoid costly delays**.

We are required to approve, conditionally approve or reject the plans within five weeks or, where extended by agreement, two months

## 2 Building Notice

No detailed plans are required and once the notice is 'accepted' work can start within 48 hours. The work is then checked as it progresses. With this option it is important that you use experienced and knowledgeable builders as there will be no pre-approved plans for them to work to. Good dialogue and communication with building control is also highly recommended.

There are **four key steps** to getting building regulations approval and that all-important completion certificate



### Step 1

Submit your building control application using either the Full Plans application or Building Notice method.



### Step 2

Get to work; whichever type of application you submit one of our building control surveyors will come and inspect the work at the various stages of your project to give advice and guidance to you and your builder.



### Step 3

The building control surveyor visit; one of our surveyors will look at a number of things including foundations, ground and upper floors, damp proofing, roof structure, drainage, structural beams and openings, fire proofing, thermal insulation etc. to ensure, as far as is reasonably practicable, the person carrying out the work is complying with the regulations, standards and other legislation.



### Step 4

The completion visit; our surveyor will assess the completed work for compliance with the building regulations. Once the surveyor is happy, and all relevant certificates etc. have been supplied by the builder, you will be issued with a completion certificate, **free of charge**. Our advice is to contact us before starting any building project.



# Local Authority Building Control Barnet

## Your local Building Control provider



## Useful information

@ [www.barnet.gov.uk/citizen-home/planning-conservation-and-building-control/building-control.html](http://www.barnet.gov.uk/citizen-home/planning-conservation-and-building-control/building-control.html)

@ [www.labc.co.uk/advice-building-projects/homeowners](http://www.labc.co.uk/advice-building-projects/homeowners)



## About LABC Barnet

Local authority building control is the largest provider of building control services to the construction industry.

If you are thinking of carrying out any kind of building work, it is most likely that you will need to obtain Building Regulation approval for that work.

Compliance with the Building Regulations is a legal requirement to ensure minimum functional performance standards are met whenever building work is carried out.

Our impartial LABC Surveyors are building professionals with in-depth local knowledge of site conditions and issues and expertise in the building regulations, buildings most comply with.

## Contact details

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