

Substantial Damage/Improvements Requirements

Additions, reconstruction or rehabilitation of your property is subject to National Flood Insurance Policy (NFIP) requirements. Check with the Livingston Parish Permit Dept before proceeding.

The NFIP requires that when the cost of reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition or other improvements to a building equals or exceeds 50% of the fair market value, then the building must meet the same construction requirements as a new building. Substantially damaged buildings must also be brought up to the same standards. A residence or building damaged so that the cost of repair equals or exceeds 50% of the structure's fair market value must also be elevated above the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) in flood zones where BFE's exist. Questions about these requirements may be directed to the Permit Dept.