

Framing checklist for builders

A practical coordination checklist for the conversation before framing and the handoff afterward.

01 / Plans and scope

Confirm the current drawings and accepted revisions. Identify scope boundaries, structural details and the person responsible for resolving questions. Record proposed changes before work proceeds.

02 / Materials and access

Discuss delivery access, staging and protected storage. Follow product-specific handling guidance. Coordinate active work areas and site visits with the project lead.

03 / The next trades

Review openings and intended service routes with the appropriate professionals. Do not treat field changes to structural members or connections as routine shortcuts.

04 / Before covering the frame

Discuss alignment, drying, unresolved items and required inspections. Confirm who addresses corrections and who determines readiness for the next stage.

05 / Handoff conversation

What remains open? Who owns each item? What access and scheduling dependencies affect the following trades? Keep the next step clear before the crew changes.

General educational planning guidance, not engineering design, a permit approval, an inspection checklist issued by an authority, or a guarantee of readiness. Follow project documents, product instructions and local inspection requirements.

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