

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

The electrical wiring of Heat Pumps must be done by Licensed Electricians

REFERENCE: INSTALLATION OF HEAT PUMPS

The State of Maine has issued a memorandum of understanding which allows non-electricians to install the electrical wiring and components of mini split heat pumps. **This memorandum does not apply in Caribou.**

The City of Caribou is mandated by the State of Maine to enforce the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code (MUBEC). Chapter 14 of MUBEC includes the requirement for permits and code compliance inspections for the installation of all new and replacement Heating Equipment, Air Conditioning Equipment and Heat Pumps within Caribou.

The City of Caribou also enforces the National Electrical Code and issues permits and performs code compliance inspections of all electrical installations within Caribou. Electrical permits are only issued to Licensed Master Electricians or a home owner doing work in their primary residence.

If you are a contractor installing heat pumps without first obtaining a permit; you are in violation of the Caribou Ordinance.

If you are a contractor, who's not a licensed electrician, installing the electrical wiring and equipment associated with heat pumps; you are in violation of the Caribou Ordinance.

The electrical wiring for heat pumps must be installed by a licensed electrician.

If you have questions regarding the legal installation of Heat Pumps in Caribou, please call.

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