



## **ADVISORY BULLETIN**

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### **Subject:**

Permits for Bleachers used in Stampede Parade

### **Background:**

Bleachers by definition are considered to be a building under the Alberta Building Code, and thus the Alberta Building Code applies.

In the past, Building Regulations allowed the construction of bleachers along the Stampede parade route without building permits. To ensure the safety of the bleachers, Building Regulations inspected the bleachers, at the request of City's Traffic Engineering, Roads.

As a result of the collapse of the main stage at Big Valley Jamboree in Camrose on August 1st 2009, the Alberta Government issued a notice on July 6, 2010 to all local authorities recommending inspections of temporary structures in the interest of public safety. This notice reminds owners of their responsibilities to ensure their temporary structures comply with the Alberta Building Code and to apply for permits. It also reminds local authorities of their responsibilities to take all reasonable steps to issue permits and inspect for compliance.

### **Advisory:**

In order to comply with the Alberta Building Code and follow the direction of the notice from the Alberta Government, starting January 1, 2013, building permits are required for bleachers constructed along the Stampede parade route. Owners of the bleachers can apply for building permits at the City of Calgary, Development and Building Approvals counter on the 3rd floor of 800 Macleod Tr. SE. Three sets of drawings with the location of the bleachers along the parade route and structural drawings prepared and stamped by a professional engineer are required in the building permit application.

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