



Checklist for an Architectural Shell Submittal

To qualify for an architectural shell release, an applicant must provide a complete application form (ACDR) indicating the architectural scope of work for the shell, and a complete set of architectural drawings demonstrating compliance with all applicable building laws and fire safety laws (please note that even for an architectural shell project, scopes other than architectural may be required, such as foundation, structural, and mechanical/electrical/plumbing, among others, each of which has specific submittal requirements – see their checklists as guidelines). Minimum submittal requirements for the architectural scope include the following, as applicable:

- A site plan, drawn to scale, showing the dimensioned location of the building relative to property lines, adjacent buildings on the same property, as well as widths of any streets or easements bordering the property (this requirement applies to projects consisting of new buildings, additions to existing buildings, and any remodeling or alteration projects in which the existing building is undergoing a change of occupancy group or use);
- Fire and life safety plans of the entire building showing graphically, or by legend, the location and fire rating of all building elements affecting life safety and egress, including rated assemblies, stair enclosures, shaft enclosures, egress components, occupant loads and exit travel distances;
- Detailed dimensioned floor plans drawn to scale, for all floors, showing such items as wall locations and configurations, room numbers and names indicating the nature of the use of the spaces, fixture locations, doors, windows and accessibility information, as well as any other plan information necessary to demonstrate compliance;
- Door schedule or other indication of all door types, sizes and fire-ratings;
- Exterior elevations with key height dimensions;
- Building sections, sections of key elements such as walls (exterior and interior), stairs and ramps, with material indications, insulation R-values, dimensions and any other details necessary to fully illustrate design intent and compliance;

- Where required, a building envelope compliance report from an accepted computer energy modeling compliance tool such as COMcheck or other compliance software, or other methods approved by DFBS or the Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission, demonstrating compliance with the requirements of the current Indiana Energy Conservation Code (675 IAC 19-4) (COMcheck reports must be run with current software, must show passing performance and must include the accompanying Inspection Checklist Report, which must report a score of no less than 100%);
- For projects for which a design professional is required and where energy conservation details are required, **the compliance report must be signed and sealed by the design professional who has taken responsibility for that scope on the drawings and the application;**
- For those projects for which a design professional is required, **each page of all drawings must bear the seal and signature of that design professional;**
- Any additional information that may be necessary to illustrate design intent and demonstrate full compliance with the applicable building and fire safety laws and the rules of the commission;
- No plans may be labeled “Preliminary,” “Not for Construction,” “For Reference Only,” “Future,” “Optional” or the like. They are unacceptable for plan review purposes.