

A leading reason why building permits get denied for guard shacks – and how to prevent it



Two questions you must ask the guard shack manufacturer

At B.I.G., we get calls from customers saying they're going through the permit process and can't get a permit because the booth manufacturer didn't tell them about the required State approval process. **You can prevent that from happening if you know the two right questions to ask before signing the purchase order.**



Q1. Are you licensed in my state and knowledgeable about the State approval process?

Surprisingly, many booth manufacturers, architects, and general contractors are unaware of the State approval programs. B.I.G. is a Licensed Manufacturer of Prefabricated Modular Booths in all 30 states that require that license. That means a B.I.G. booth will arrive at the job site with the State insignia affixed inside.

Why this is important:

- Building Inspectors will see that the booth has obtained a third-party factory inspection for all aspects, including electrical.
- With a licensed manufacturer, contractors, owners, or architects can easily obtain a building permit prior to installation.

Q2. Do you know the state and local codes specific to where the booth will be installed - including current state energy codes?

B.I.G.'s exclusive energy code compliance solution

Our *exclusive* design includes a double-wall insulation system, which allows B.I.G. to manufacture booths that meet *every* energy code in the U.S.

A continuous layer of insulation on the booth's exterior – encapsulated within our final layer of 16 GA galvanized steel – goes from floor height to soffit height. This additional layer of exterior continuous insulation creates a vapor barrier that eliminates the heating and cooling loss other manufacturers experience with their booths.

Why this is important:

- It makes the booth energy code compliant.
- It creates a far better working environment.

Yes, prefabricated guard booths need a permit.

City plan checkers will require the booth to:

- Meet all local codes, including seismic, wind, and snow load
- Meet the current energy code – each state has its own.

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