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Signing up to use ViewPoint and Creating a Profile.

How do I sign up as a user?

1. To begin using Wooster's new software – ViewPoint Cloud for the first time, go to the City's home webpage: <u>www.woosteroh.com</u> and click the link to ViewPoint Cloud. Or, you can log on directly at: <u>https://woosteroh.viewpointcloud.com/</u>

2. In the upper right hand corner, click log in and choose "Sign up".

3. Enter your email address and enter what you would like your password to be.

Passwords must have at least 8 characters and include 1 upper case letter, 1 lower case letter and 1 digit. Log on.

Please note: If you do not remember your credentials at any time, click on "Don't remember your password?" to reset your information.

4. You can then proceed with applying for a permit. During the application process, you will be able to complete your profile. Or, after logging on, you can go back to the upper right hand corner and click your icon (your initials) and select "Your Profile". Complete your profile by adding your name, phone number and address. You will only need to complete your profile once as it will be saved.

Please note: You can turn on or off email notifications or reset your password by going to "Your Profile" then selecting "Edit Profile". We recommend leaving email notifications turned on since you will be notified by email when communicating the City throughout the permitting process. 5. Once you're logged in, follow the steps on each page to complete the permit applications.



Accessing Your Profile & Your Records

To access your profile:

- 1. Log in to your ViewPoint Cloud account
- 2. Hover over your icon
- 3. Click on Your Profile
- 4. Remember, you can toggle between your profile and the homepage by clicking on the homepage icon

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In your profile, you can:

Edit your profile information Add a profile image Review your Active Records Update contact information

View your inbox (view due tasks, such as fees that are due) View a list of all of your records (permits).

Click on a task to access the record page and complete the task.

Set your email notification preferences (Note: By turning off, you will not be notified when the inspector messages you. We suggest leaving this on.)

Once you're signed up:

You'll receive notifications to your profile email related to any application that you've completed, such as when a payment is due, when your permit has been issued, and when an employee or inspector reviewing your application makes a comment or asks a question.
 Remember: To reply to a comment or contact the inspector, do not reply to your user email, rather use the comment boxes in the application steps designed for that purpose.

Applying for a Permit

Start an Application:

In order to start an application, you must have a profile. See above for creating a profile.

 To navigate to a specific application, click on "Explore" next to the Department or Category of Permit, then click on "Select" next the type of permit, and lastly click "Start" to get

started with the specific permit application.

Complete the Application

 After clicking "Start", you'll be prompted to log in if not already logged in: *If you've previously registered:* Enter in your email address and password. Once you've logged in, follow the steps on each page to complete the application.

Saving Drafts:

3. Forms can be saved as drafts and completed at a later time. To save a form, click on Save and Exit on the right side of the form. To return to a Draft form: Click on the Profile icon on the top right. (You must be logged in to access this.) In the Active Records section, click on the Record. The Draft record will be labeled "Draft."



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Paying a Fee

When a fee is due, the site will automatically send you an email notification.



3. In the Permit Fee step on the Record page, you will see an overview of the fee and you'll be able to pay with a credit card.

4. Click on **"Pay"** to pay the fee then follow the prompts to enter and submit your credit card details.



Note: You will notice that included in the normal fee is a Processing Fee. This is a fee charged for online payment that goes directly to ViewPoint Cloud. The City of Wooster has lowered most of the permit fees to more than compensate for this fee. You will notice this most dramatically in how square footages are calculated since many fees are based on the total square footage built or altered. We now use the industry standard in making this calculation resulting in less total square footage.

Also Note: While the City of Wooster prefers online payments, we do accept cash and checks in person at the City of Wooster Building Standards Division.

Receiving Your Permit or other Document

When a plan review, permit, license, certificate of occupancy, certificate of completion or any other document is issued, the applicant will be notified by email.



Scheduling Your Inspection and Communicating with the Inspector

When an Inspection step is reached for a Record, the applicant will be automatically emailed and prompted to schedule their inspection.



1. Click the **"View Task"** button in the email and it will take you to the ViewPoint Record page. Or, just go to the ViewPoint site and view your profile and select the record and you will be able to schedule the inspection from the Record page. 2. On the Record page, find the appropriate record and go to the inspection step in that record, then select a date from the calendar, and click **"Submit**."



Please note: The City can reschedule inspection dates if necessary. For assistance with scheduling **please use the comment box to message the inspector.** The inspector will also use the comment box to message you in return. This way, communication will be tied to the specific step under discussion. Remember, you will get an email notification each time the inspector makes a comment. To reply to the comment, you must go to the record step and use the comment box. If necessary, comments can go back and forth until the inspection date and time is confirmed.

Email Notifications

By default, you'll be subscribed to receive email notifications about your permit application. These notifications are sent to keep you informed about the status of your permit, such as when:

- Your application has been reviewed
- An inspection has been scheduled
- A payment is due
- Your permit has been issued

The emails are sent to the address associated with your profile. They include a direct link to the specific step in the record as well, so that you can easily access the information on the website.

You are able to turn off these notifications (though we recommend that you do not). To disable email notifications go to "Your Profile" and turn "Email Notifications" to off.

Contacting the City or the Inspector

You cannot "reply" to these email notifications. <u>Please use the comment box to message the</u> <u>inspector</u>. The inspector will also use the comment box to message you in return. This way, communication will be tied to the specific step under discussion. Remember, you will get an email notification each time the inspector makes a comment. You can view his comment in the email or go to the ViewPoint site and find the record and step to view the comment. To reply to the comment, you must go to the record step and use the comment box. Again, you cannot "reply" to these email notifications or email the inspector using his email account. We will only respond using the ViewPoint record step comment box. This keeps all communication associated with that record in one place.