READY TO INSPECT — FIELD CHECKLIST

Selective demolition rough-in inspection checklist

Selective demolition rough-in is the last time the work is fully visible. Once the cover inspection passes and the walls, ceilings and slabs close, every defect left behind becomes a demolition bill. This checklist walks the rough-in in the order the work goes in, with the photo each item needs before it gets buried. Work is commonly verified against the applicable building code, the project specifications. Confirm the edition your authority having jurisdiction has adopted.

Who runs it: The GC's superintendent releasing the area to the demolition crew, walking it with the demo foreman. When: Immediately before demolition starts in each area, after utilities are isolated and the owner's independent consultant has cleared any abatement, so a live line or undisturbed hazard is caught before the first wall is opened.

Surveys and abatement

- [ ] Hazardous-materials survey on file for this area
  The pre-demolition survey for asbestos, lead and other regulated materials covers every room and assembly in this demo scope, not only the ones already known to be suspect.
  No photo required

- [ ] Abatement closeout matches the survey scope for this area
  The licensed abatement contractor's closeout lists each material and location removed, and it matches every item on the survey for this area; the demo crew removed no regulated material.
  No photo required

- [ ] Regulated and containment areas observed from outside only
  Any containment or regulated area still active is posted and barricaded, and the walk checks it from outside the boundary; nobody on the walk enters or opens the containment.
  No photo required

Utilities isolated

- [ ] Affected utilities located, isolated and capped
  Power, water, gas and any low-voltage serving the area traced to the source, locked or capped, and marked dead, not just switched off at a local device.
  2 photos required

- [ ] Lines to remain identified and protected
  Any live service passing through the demo zone flagged and protected so the crew works around it rather than into it.
  1 photo required

- [ ] Lockout record from the qualified trades reviewed
  The electrical, plumbing and gas trades' lockout record lists each circuit, valve and meter feeding the area and who locked it; the walk reads it and never de-energizes or tests anything.
  No photo required

- [ ] Locks and tags in place at each isolation point on the record
  A lock and tag hung by the qualified trade at every panel, valve or meter the record lists, observed and photographed in place without touching or operating it.
  1 photo required

- [ ] Fire alarm and sprinkler status for the area confirmed
  Detector covers, zone disables and sprinkler impairments are set by those contractors under the owner's impairment process, with fire watch arranged; the walk confirms status with the super.
  No photo required

Shoring and protection

- [ ] Shoring and bracing in place where loads are affected
  Temporary support installed where a wall, slab or beam is being removed or altered, per the engineered shoring plan.
  No photo required

- [ ] Adjacent work to remain protected
  Floors, finishes, glazing and equipment that stay are covered or hoarded, and dust partitions are sealed at the demo boundary.
  2 photos required

- [ ] Dust control running before cutting and breaking start
  HEPA vacuums, misting or negative air set up as the demolition plan describes, and return grilles and open duct in the zone sealed so dust is not pulled into other areas.
  1 photo required

Clearance and salvage

- [ ] Hazardous-material clearance obtained before disturbance
  Written clearance from the owner's independent air-monitoring consultant covering this specific area is in hand before any material is disturbed.
  1 photo required
- [ ] Salvage and owner-retained items tagged
  Items marked for salvage or reuse tagged and, where fragile, removed and stored before general demolition begins.
  No photo required

Removal layout

- [ ] Cut and removal lines marked on every surface
  Limit and saw-cut lines marked to the demolition drawings; slab and wall scanned by the project's method before any saw cut or core, tendons and conduit marked.
  1 photo required
- [ ] Structural cuts limited to the engineer's demolition plan
  Any beam, column, bearing wall or slab area in the removal scope appears on the engineer's demolition or shoring plan, and the cutting sequence is reviewed with the demo foreman first.
  No photo required