



RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION PERMIT GUIDANCE

Permits **required** for:

1. New work – building, electrical, mechanical, gas, plumbing, accessibility and fire protection.
2. Cutting away a wall, partition or portion of a wall.
3. The removal or cutting of any structural beam or load bearing support.
4. The removal or change of any required means of egress, or rearrangement of parts of a structure affecting the egress requirements.
5. The addition to, alteration of, replacement or relocation of any standpipe, water supply, sewer, drainage, drain leader, gas, soil waste, vent or similar piping, electrical wiring or mechanical.

Permits **not required** for:

1. Building
 - a. Fence not over 6 feet high. (zoning permit required)
 - b. Retaining walls not over 4 feet high. (zoning permit required)
 - c. Decks under 30 inches above finished grade. (zoning permit required)
 - d. Painting, wallpapering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops and similar finish work.
 - e. Prefabricated swimming pools less than 24 inches deep.
 - f. Swings and other playground equipment.
 - g. Window awnings extending not more than 54 inches from the exterior wall.
 - h. Communications Wiring, less than 25 volt signal.
 - i. Window and door replacements not involving structural changes.
 - j. Aluminum and Vinyl Siding installation.
2. Public Utilities.

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