

Building Inspections

Q: Do I need a building permit for a deck?

A: Decks more than 30" above grade at any point for a distance 36" away from the deck will require a permit.

Q: Do I need a permit for a detached building?

A: If it is two hundred (200) square feet or less you do not need a permit, but still must maintain the required set-backs from the property lines.

Q: How big of a detached building can I build and where can I build it?

A: It can be up to one thousand (1000) square feet and must be five (5) feet from the side and rear property lines. In addition, it may not be located in front of your house.

Q: Do I need a building permit for a swimming pool?

A: On-ground swimming pools with a depth of 24 inches require a building permit. All inground swimming pools require a permit.

Q: Can I work on my own house or must I hire a licensed electrician, plumber, etc?

A: If you live in and own the house you are doing work on, you may obtain a permit for that work. Rental property and commercial property requires a licensed craftsman do the work.

Q: What work do I need a permit for?

A: Any remodeling, additions, rewiring, fences, signs, Right of Way, irrigation, electrical, service upgrades, and plumbing repairs past the trap on any fixture.

Q: How many layers of roofing can I put on my house?

A: Maximum allowable layers of roofing material is 2. The 1st layer of roofing material can not be wood shingles, slate, clay or cement tile.