



## Permit Tip Sheet

Community Development Department

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The purpose of this tip sheet is to provide a general understanding of the permit and code requirements for common residential projects, and does not address the subject in great detail.

Although a building permit may not be required, work shall still be code compliant.

Land use and zoning requirements still apply regardless of building permit requirements.

Permit is Required	Permit Not Required
<b>Decks</b> more than 30" above grade and/or more than 200 sq ft and/or attached to structure (measured vertically to the grade below at any point within 36" of the outer edge of deck)	<b>Decks</b> less than 30" above grade unless more than 200 sq ft and/or attached to structure and/or egress access (measured vertically to the grade below at any point within 36" of the outer edge of deck)
<b>Fireplaces, wood burning stoves, gas &amp; pellet inserts</b>	<b>Decking replacement</b> without changing or adding any other structural members or removing guardrails
<b>Furnaces, air conditioners, heat pumps</b>	<b>Bathroom and kitchen fixture replacements</b> without plumbing line modifications such as sinks and toilets (note: tub and shower replacement does require a permit)
<b>Tub, shower replacement</b>	
<b>Water heater installation</b>	
<b>Water softener installation</b>	
<b>Swimming pools, portable pools, spas &amp; saunas</b>	
<b>Interior remodel</b>	<b>Interior finish work</b> such as painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, countertops and similar finish work
<b>Exterior doors, windows, skylights</b>	
<b>Accessory dwelling unit (ADU)</b> ex. Mother in-law apartment	
<b>Carports</b>	
<b>Reroof</b>	
<b>Gas piping</b>	<b>Swings, slides and other playground equipment</b>
<b>Home business (home occupations)</b>	
<b>Backflow prevention devices</b>	
<b>Garage conversion</b> into living space	
<b>Hose bibs, drinking fountains</b>	
<b>Rockeries, retaining walls</b> over 4' in height or supporting a surcharge	<b>Retaining walls and rockeries</b> that are not over 4' in height measured from the bottom of the footing to the top of the wall, unless supporting a surcharge
<b>Electrical circuits and services</b> (Obtain through Labor & Industries)	
<b>No Fee Permit</b>	
<b>Accessory structures</b> (one-story detached) used as tool and storage sheds, tree-supported play structures, playhouses, and similar uses not exceeding 200 square feet	Although a building permit is not required, a scalable site plan must be submitted and approved by the Community Development Department prior to construction.
<b>Fences</b> not over 7 ft (Unless otherwise stated in the WRMC)	

If you have questions about a project please feel free to call the Community Development Department.