

Work Exempt from Permitting

Building work as follows:

1. One-story detached accessory structures provided the floor area does not exceed 200 square feet.
2. Fences not over 6 feet high.
3. Oil derricks.
4. Retaining walls which are not over 4 feet in height measured from the bottom of the footing to the top of the wall, unless supporting a surcharge or impounding Class I, II or IIA liquids.
5. Water tanks supported directly on grade if the capacity does not exceed 5,000 gallons and the ratio of height to diameter or width does not exceed 2 to 1.
6. Sidewalks and driveways which are not more than 30 inches above adjacent grade, not over any basement or story below and are not part of an accessible route.
7. Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops and similar finish work.
8. Temporary motion picture, television and theater stage sets and scenery.
9. Prefabricated swimming pools accessory to a Group R-3 occupancy that are less than 24 inches deep, do not exceed 5,000 gallons and are installed entirely above ground.
10. Shade cloth structures constructed for nursery or agricultural purposes.
11. Swings and other playground equipment accessory to detached one and two family dwellings.
12. Window awnings, supported by an exterior wall that do not project more than 54 inches from the exterior wall and do not require additional support.
13. Decks not exceeding 200 square feet in area, decks that are not more than 30 inches above grade at any point, or decks that are not attached to a dwelling.
14. Non-fixed and moveable fixtures, cases, racks, counters and partitions not over 5 feet 9 inches high.

Electrical work as follows:

Repairs and maintenance: Minor repair work, such as replacement of lamps or the connection of approved portable electrical equipment to approved permanently installed receptacles.

Radio and television transmitting stations: The provisions of the code do not apply to electrical equipment used for radio and television transmissions, but do apply to equipment and wiring for a power supply and the installation of towers and antennas.

Temporary testing systems: A permit will not be required for installation of any temporary system required for testing or servicing of equipment or apparatus.

Fuel gas work as follows:

1. Portable heating appliance.
2. Replacement of any minor part that does not alter approval of equipment or make such equipment unsafe.

Mechanical work as follows:

1. Portable heating appliance.
2. Portable ventilation equipment.
3. Portable cooling unit.
4. Steam, hot or chilled water piping within any heating or cooling equipment regulated by the code.
5. Replacement of any part that does not alter its approval or make it unsafe.

6. Portable evaporative cooler.
7. Self-contained refrigeration system containing 10 pounds or less of refrigerant and actuated by motors of 1 horsepower or less.

Plumbing work as follows:

1. The stopping of leaks in drains, water, soil, waste or vent pipe, provided, however, if any concealed trap, drain pipe, water, soil, waste or vent pipe becomes defective and it becomes necessary to remove and replace the same with material, such work shall be considered as new work and a permit shall be obtained and inspection made as provided by the code.
2. The clearing of stoppages or the repairing of leaks in pipes, valves or fixtures and the removal and reinstallation of water closets, providing such repairs do not involve or require the replacement or rearrangement of valves, pipes or fixtures.