



DO I NEED A BUILDING PERMIT?

Please see the below information as guidance on what building permits are required for certain activities. It is always best to call and speak with staff in the Building and Zoning Department if you are unsure of the requirements and process.

PERMITS REQUIRED

Please note all work that is exterior or new construction will require a zoning permit in addition to your building permit. Additionally, a zoning permit is required with all demolition permits on historic properties, as identified in Appendix E, and consistent with Article XXIV of the Township Zoning Ordinance. Please consult with the office regarding building plans that fall under the purview of the Township's Stormwater Management Ordinance as well as Subdivision and Land Development Ordinances, as other regulations may apply to your project.

- Construction of a new building or structure, additions, alterations, (interior or exterior), of any kind to any existing structures, (decks, patios, porches, etc.)
- Installation or modifications to any HVAC system
- Any type of electrical work
- Demolition
- Pools (above and in ground) and hot tubs
- Plumbing work that is a change or addition to existing components
- Retaining walls that retain a surcharge require a permit and if greater than 4 feet required an engineered design
- New driveways or alterations to existing driveways
- Tank installation or removal
- Fire suppression systems (new or alterations)
- Windows (when there is structural change, the opening of the window is altered or changed)
- Siding
- Roofing with sheathing requiring replacement

PERMITS NOT REQUIRED

- Roofing or re-roofing unless sheathing is to be replaced
- Fences (may not be over 6 feet by Ordinance)
- Windows (when there is no structural change, only when the opening of the window is not altered or changed)
- Landscaping (may not be in the right of way)
- Ordinary repairs such as painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops, and similar finishing work
- Installation of insulation

- Repair of rain gutters or leaders
- Replacement of fixtures, faucets, lavatories, and toilets
- Repointing of stone
- Agricultural buildings that meet the definition as described in the PA Construction Code Act 45 of 1999