



# CITY OF BAYTOWN

Building Services Division

## RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

PLEASE NOTE: This is NOT a complete list of all type of projects

BUILDING PERMIT <b>REQUIRED</b> FOR THESE PROJECTS	
EXTERIOR	INTERIOR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decks over 30" above grade with or without cover</li> <li>• Porch/patio covers, awnings, carports larger than 200 ft<sup>2</sup> or attached to current structure</li> <li>• Storage sheds exceeding 200 ft<sup>2</sup>.</li> <li>• Fence installation or replacement, 50% or greater</li> <li>• Lawn sprinklers systems</li> <li>• Pools 24" or more in depth (above/In ground), hot tubs &amp; spas</li> <li>• Driveways &amp; driveway extensions</li> <li>• Any room additions</li> <li>• Attached or detached garages</li> <li>• Accessory buildings larger than 200 ft<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• Heating &amp; A/C installations or replacements</li> <li>• Patio enclosures</li> <li>• Solar panel installation or replacement</li> <li>• Gas line installation or replacement</li> <li>• Electrical work (other than exchange of fixtures)</li> <li>• Plumbing work (other than exchange of fixtures)</li> <li>• Installation or replacement of windows and/or doors</li> <li>• Installation or replacement of siding</li> <li>• Roof deck installation, replacement, or repair</li> <li>• Installation, replacement, or repair of any structural component</li> <li>• Concrete sidewalks (on private property)</li> <li>• Concrete porches/patios (without roofs)</li> <li>• Demolition</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heating &amp; A/C installation or replacement</li> <li>• Water heater installation or replacement</li> <li>• Boiler installation or replacement</li> <li>• Gas log, gas lines, log lighters</li> <li>• Fireplaces (wood, pellet, or gas)</li> <li>• Remodeling</li> <li>• Garage conversions</li> <li>• Electrical work (other than exchange of fixtures)</li> <li>• Plumbing work (other than exchange of fixtures)</li> <li>• Mechanical work</li> <li>• Structural modifications</li> <li>• Replacement or repair of any structural component</li> <li>• Installation or replacement of windows and/or doors</li> <li>• Any increase/decrease in window or door sizes</li> <li>• Sheetrock</li> <li>• Demolition</li> </ul>

**All structures exceeding one story in height or 350 ft<sup>2</sup> in area shall be designed by a state licensed engineer.**

**Wind Speed = 150 MPH (Ultimate Design Wind Speed, V<sub>ULT</sub>)**

BUILDING PERMIT <b>NOT REQUIRED</b> FOR THESE PROJECTS	
EXTERIOR	INTERIOR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General landscaping</li> <li>• Wood decks less than 30 inches above grade without cover (Must be anchored properly to resist uplift)</li> <li>• Painting</li> <li>• Minor fence repair less than 50%</li> <li>• Roof shingle replacement only</li> <li>• Fence repair less than 50%</li> <li>• Roof shingle replacement only</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Painting</li> <li>• Floor covering (carpet, linoleum, tile)</li> <li>• Wallpapering</li> <li>• Replacement of plumbing fixtures</li> <li>• Replacement of cabinets &amp; counter tops</li> <li>• Adding insulation</li> <li>• Changing light fixtures, switches or outlets</li> </ul>

The City of Baytown Building Services Division will gladly provide you with helpful information related to your specific project and we encourage you to call with any questions you may have.

You can reach the Building Services Division Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM,  
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