



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 REQUIRED FOR THESE PROJECTS

EXTERIOR

- Decks over 30" above grade with or without cover
- Porch/patio covers, awnings, carports 100 ft² or larger
- Storage sheds exceeding 100 ft².
- Fence installation or replacement
- Lawn sprinklers systems
- Pools 24" or higher (above/in ground), hot tubs & spas
- Driveways & driveway extensions
- Any room additions
- Attached or detached garages
- Accessory buildings larger than 100 ft²
- Heating & A/C installations or replacements
- Patio enclosures
- Solar panel installation or replacement
- Gas line installation or replacement
- Electrical work (other than exchange of fixtures)
- Plumbing work (other than exchange of fixtures)
- Installation or replacement of windows and/or doors
- Installation or replacement of siding
- Roof installation, replacement, or repair
- Installation, replacement, or repair of any structural component
- Concrete sidewalks (on private property)
- Concrete porches/patios (without roofs)
- Demolition

INTERIOR

- Heating & A/C installation or replacement
- Water heater installation or replacement
- Boiler installation or replacement
- Gas log, gas lines, log lighters
- Fireplaces (wood, pellet, or gas)
- Remodeling
- Garage conversions
- Electrical work (other than exchange of fixtures)
- Plumbing work (other than exchange of fixtures)
- Mechanical work
- Structural modifications
- Replacement or repair of any structural component
- Installation or replacement of windows and/or doors
- Any increase/decrease in window or door sizes
- Sheetrock
- Demolition

All structures exceeding one story in height or 350 ft² in area shall be designed by a state licensed engineer.
Wind Speed = 150 MPH (Ultimate Design Wind Speed, V ULT)

BUILDING PERMIT NOT REQUIRED FOR THESE PROJECTS

EXTERIOR

- General landscaping
- Wood decks less than 30 inches above grade without cover (Must be anchored properly to resist uplift)
- Painting
- Minor fence repair

INTERIOR

- Painting
- Floor covering (carpet, linoleum, tile)
- Wallpapering
- Replacement of plumbing fixtures
- Replacement of cabinets & counter tops
- Adding insulation
- Changing light fixtures, switches or outlets

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 4:00 PM,
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