



When Do I Need a Building Permit?

CITY OF COLTON
Development Services Department
Building & Safety Division

Permits and inspections are required when constructing, remodeling or enlarging a building or structure. Building permits and inspections are also required for other improvements to your property as listed below.

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF WORK REQUIRING A BUILDING PERMIT:

- New Building or structure (commercial and residential) , including accessory structures (carports, garages, barns, patio covers (solid and lattice), sheds/detached structures exceeding a total roof area of 120 square feet
- Enclosed Patios
- Demolition of all or a portion of building or structure, including patio covers
- Additions and Alterations to buildings or structures, including patio covers
- Garage conversions
- Remodeling of a building requiring the addition or removal of all or any portion of a wall, window or door, or enlarging an opening for a window or door
- Window installation, replacement or retrofit
- Decks and balconies
- Electrical (including upgrade, repair or relocation of electrical panel, and including adding a new electrical circuit or extend existing), Mechanical, Plumbing and Structural Repairs
- Water heaters (replacing, relocating, or new)
- Replacing water or sewer lines
- Installing, expanding or relocating septic system
- Irrigation systems (backflow preventer required)
- Furnace or air conditioning system installing or replacement
- All Fences and Walls (Consult Planning Division for setback and height requirements)
- All Retaining Walls, new or demolition. (Consult Planning Division for setback and height requirements)

- Roof installation
- Re-roofing and roof repairs exceeding 25% of the total square footage (commercial and residential)
- Pool and Spas, including above-ground

THIS IS NOT AN ALL - INCLUSIVE LIST. Questions concerning your specific project should be forwarded to the Building & Safety Division at (909) 370-5079.

WORK EXEMPT FROM A BUILDING PERMIT:

- Projects that are cosmetic, such as painting, wallpapering, carpeting, cabinets and interior trim do not require a permit
- Minor roof repair, such as patching a small area less than 25% of the total square footage
- Replacing fixtures to existing plumbing; plumbing repair work such as replacing of washers and faucets
- Repairing electrical fixtures on existing wiring, replacing switches, plugs and light ballasts
- Pumping out contents of septic system