When Do I Need a Building Permit?
THESE LISTS ARE NOT ALL-INCLUSIVE.
PLEASE ASK US IF YOU ARE CONSIDERING SOMETHING NOT ON THIS LIST THAT IS QUESTIONABLE.

Requires Permits
Outside
☐ Porch/patio covers and awnings
☐ Decks over 30" above grade with or without covers
☐ Storage sheds exceeding 200 square feet (120 square feet for commercial or multi-family 4 units or more)
☐ Masonry or concrete fences over 6'
☐ Room additions
☐ Detached or attached garages
☐ Patio enclosures
☐ Solar panels
☐ Plumbing work (new installations or replacing lines)
☐ Electrical work
☐ Replacing windows or doors if changing sizes
☐ Replacement or repair of any structural component
☐ Reroofing structural component
☐ Retaining walls 4' or higher measured from bottom of footing
☐ Swimming pools

Inside
☐ Heating and air conditioning installations or replacements
☐ Water heater installations or replacements
☐ Boiler installation or replacement
☐ Gas log, gas lines
☐ Fireplaces (wood, pellet or gas)
☐ Electrical work
☐ Plumbing work
☐ Mechanical work
☐ Structural modifications
☐ Replacement or repair of any structural component
☐ Installation or replacement of windows and/or doors if increasing size
☐ Basement finishes
☐ Room finishes
☐ Remodels involving moving walls, windows, doors, etc.

Do Not Require Permits

☐ General landscaping
☐ Concrete sidewalks on private property
☐ Concrete porches/patios without roofs
☐ Wood decks less than 30" above grade if no roof
☐ Painting
☐ Minor roof repairs
☐ Fence repairs
☐ Floor covering installations
☐ Wallpapering
☐ Replacing plumbing fixtures
☐ Replacing cabinets and countertops
☐ Adding insulation
☐ Changing light fixtures, switches or outlets

☐ One-story detached storage-type sheds 200 square feet and smaller on one- and two-family dwelling lots
☐ One-story detached storage-type sheds 120 square feet and smaller in commercial or multi-family properties. NOTE: Site plan approval still needed.
☐ Retaining walls smaller than 4' high as measured from the bottom of the footing
☐ Prefabricated swimming pools less than 24" deep