

When is a Building Permit required?

A building permit is required before:

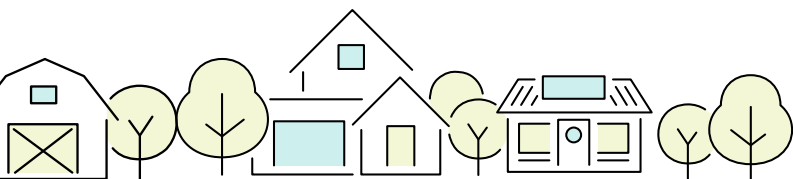
1. Constructing, reconstructing, repairing or altering a building or structure,
2. Removing or relocating a building or structure,
3. Changing an occupancy or use of a building or structure,
4. Conducting a “tenant improvement” in an existing commercial or industrial suite,
5. Removing, altering or adding a plumbing distribution system and or drain, waste and venting system,
6. Demolishing a building,
7. Constructing or adding a fireplace, woodstove or chimney,
8. Constructing or altering a farm building or,
9. Constructing or altering a retaining structure.

How long does it take to process a Building Permit?

We are committed to processing all permit applications as quickly as possible. For residential construction (new houses, additions, alterations and accessory buildings) the processing depends on the time of year and volume of permits. Please contact the building department at 250-746-2610 to get an estimate of the current processing times. Incomplete applications are often the main reason for an increase in processing times.

How much does a Permit cost?

The fee for all new construction is 1% of the estimated construction value. The fees for all other permit types and services can be found in Schedule A of the Building Regulation Bylaw.



Building Permit Process

