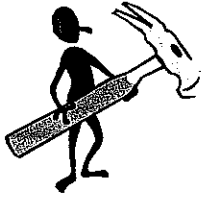


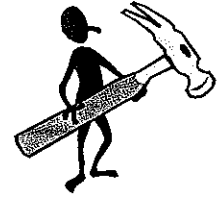


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WHAT DO I NEED A PERMIT FOR? Building Permit Requirements



A building permit is required if a property owner intends to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, convert, demolish or change the occupancy of a building or any structure. Obtaining a permit could be one of the most important actions you can take before starting a home improvement project.

Below are **MOST** of the projects for which a permit is currently required.

Basement Finishes
Decks / Porches
Furnaces / Heating Appliances (including replacements)
Accessory Structures (Sheds, Garages, Gazebos Etc.)
Interior Remodeling
All Plumbing Work
All Electrical Work
Windows - Replacement or New Installations

A building permit will be required for the replacement of windows in the following circumstances:

1. All commercial/institutional buildings
2. All residential buildings with four or more units.

Additions
Swimming Pool installations
Change of Use or Home Occupation

Permit applications can be obtained in the Inspections Division office located in Room 315 of City Hall or on our website at:

<http://www.portlandmaine.gov/planning/buildinsp.asp>.

If you have any questions, please contact the Inspections Division at (207)874-8703.

**Our intent is to help the City of Portland residents achieve safe,
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