



HOMESTEAD BOROUGH

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WORK EXEMPT FROM BUILDING PERMITS

In accordance with Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code, as amended by the Homestead Borough, building permits shall not be required for the following. Exemption from the permit requirements shall not be deemed to grant authorization for any work to be done in any manner in violation of the provisions of this code or any other laws or ordinances of this jurisdiction.

- One-story detached accessory structures used as carports, private garages greenhouses and storage sheds provided that the floor area does not exceed 1000 square feet.
- Agricultural buildings
- Sewage disposal systems
- Fences not over 6 feet high.
- Oil derricks.
- Retaining walls that are not over 4 feet in height measured from the bottom of the footing to the top of wall, unless supporting a surcharge or Class I, II or II-A liquids.
- Water tanks supported directly upon grade if the capacity does not exceed 5,000 gallons and the ratio of height to diameter or width does not exceed 2 to 1.
- Sidewalks and driveways not more than 30 inches above adjacent grade and not over any basement or story below and are not part of an accessible route.
- Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops and similar finish work.
- Decks not exceeding 200 sq. ft. in area, not more than 30 inches above grade at any point, are not attached to a dwelling and do not serve as the exit door for the dwelling.
- Prefabricated swimming pools accessory to a Group R-3 occupancy that are less than 24 inches deep, do not exceed 5,000 gallons and are installed entirely above ground of Group R-3 and U occupancies.
- Swings and other playground equipment accessory to a one or two-family dwelling.
- Window awnings supported by an exterior wall which do not project more than 54 inches from the exterior wall and do not require additional support.
- Hanging gutters and downspouts.
- French drains.
- Temporary motion picture, television and theater stage sets and scenery.
- Shade cloth structures constructed for nursery or agricultural purposes and not including service systems.
- Non-fixed and movable fixtures, cases, racks, counters and partitions not over 5 feet 9 inches in height.
- Window replacement without structural changes.

Please note that while a building permit may not be required for this work, **ZONING APPROVAL** and a **CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY** may be required. Please contact the Zoning Officer at (412) 461-1340 extension 104 for additional information.