



Building Department
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Permits Not Required for the Following Work **Relating to One- and Two-Family Dwellings** (Revised 7-2-25)

1. **Accessory structures** (one story detached) with floor area less than 200 square feet.
(A *Zoning Compliance Application* is required.)
2. **Fences** not more than 6 feet in height. (A *Zoning Compliance Application* is required.)
3. **Siding, gutters and trim** where the work does not include removal or replacement of any structural elements (studs, rafters, sheathing etc.)
4. **Retaining walls** less than 4 feet in height.
5. **Sidewalks and driveways** which are not more than 30 inches above adjacent grade and not over any basement or story below. Driveway approaches may require a permit from the Washtenaw County Road Commission.
6. **Painting, papering, tiling, carpet, cabinets, countertops and similar finish work.**
(Not to include construction or demolition of any wall.)
7. **Prefabricated swimming pools** less than 24 inches in depth, not greater than 5,000 gallons, and installed entirely above ground.
8. **Window and door replacement** where the structural opening is not modified.
9. **Window awnings** supported by the exterior wall that do not project more than 54 inches.
10. **Minor electrical repair** work including replacement of lamps or installation of portable equipment into approved, permanently installed receptacles.
11. **Minor mechanical repair** work and installation of clothes drying appliances or portable cooking, heating and cooling appliances.
12. **Minor plumbing repairs**, clearing of stoppages or the repair of leaks, removal and reinstallation of water closets providing the repairs do not involve the replacement or rearrangement of valves, pipes or fixtures.