



BUILDING PERMITS



Frequently Asked Questions

What kind of work requires permits?

A permit is required when any owner or licensed contractor wants to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, or demolish a building or structure. Also, a permit is required to install, enlarge, alter, or replace, any electrical, mechanical (HVAC), or plumbing systems. Other projects requiring permits are new roofs, re-roofs, fences, decking, accessory buildings (sheds), carports (temporary or permanent), and pools.

Why is a building permit required?

The purpose of permitting is to ensure that the minimum code standards are being met to preserve the public's safety, health, and welfare.

Who is responsible for obtaining a permit?

The property owner is responsible for what transpires on his/her property, but licensed contractors know that permits are required before work may begin. Owners and/or licensed contractors may obtain the permit.

Where do I go to get my permit?

You will need to go to the Building Inspector's office located within the Community Development Department at City Hall (302 East Central Avenue).

What happens if work is done without a permit?

Any work done without proper permitting will be served with a Stop Work Order and increased penalties will apply.

Please visit our website at: <https://www.fitzgeraldga.org/building.html> for more information or call us at 426-5063.