

RESIDENTIAL PERMIT EXEMPTIONS

- Retaining Walls under 3ft. In length
- Sidewalks and driveways
- Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, flooring, cabinets, countertops and finish work
- Pre-fab swimming pools less than 24 inches deep
- Swings or playground equipment
- Wall supported window awnings
- Replacement windows and doors (in existing opening)
- Siding
- Repairs to porches
- Installation of roll or batt insulation
- Rain gutters
- Minor electrical repairs
- Minor gas facility repairs
- Minor mechanical repairs
- Minor plumbing repairs
- Minor HVAC repairs
- Prefabricated residential swimming pool or spa less than 24 inches deep and not containing more than 5000 gallons
- Wall supported residential window awnings not projecting more than 54 inches as required by the IBC

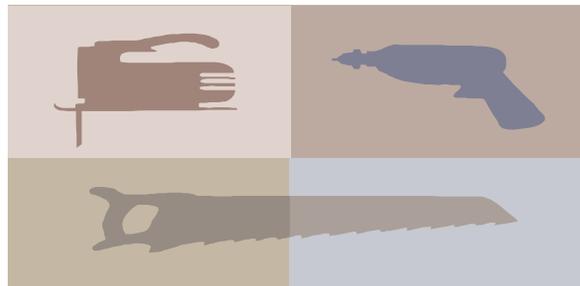
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ORDINARY REPAIRS ARE EXEMPT.

The following are not ordinary repairs.

1. Cutting away a wall, partition or any portion thereof
2. Removal or cutting of any structural beam or load-bearing support
3. Removal or change of any required means of egress or rearrangement of parts of a structure affecting egress requirements
4. The addition to, alteration of, replacement or relocation of any standpipe, water supply, sewer, drainage, drain leader, gas, soil, waste, vent or similar piping, electric wiring or mechanical



**TOWNSHIP OF
MIDDLETOWN**



**PA UNIFORM
CONSTRUCTION
CODE ACT 45 OF 1999**



Required Construction/Zoning Permits

REQUIRED CONSTRUCTION PERMITS

Building Permit: Required for all non-exempt the construction, enlargement, alteration, repair, movement, demolition or change in occupancy of a commercial or residential building or structure.

Electrical Permit:

Mechanical Permit

Plumbing Permit

Fuel-Gas Permit

Required to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert, or replace any plumbing, electrical, mechanical or gas system except for specified exempt activities.

REQUIRED ZONING PERMITS

1. Residential Carport
2. Residential Detached Private Garage
3. Residential Greenhouse
4. Residential Shed
5. Residential Deck– 30 inches or less above grade
6. Residential prefabricated, private swimming pool
7. All Fences
8. All Agricultural Buildings
9. All Manufactured and Industrialized Housing

COMMERCIAL PERMIT EXEMPTIONS

Exempt Building Construction:

1. Retaining Walls (not over 4 feet high)
2. Sidewalks and Driveways (not over 30 inches above grade)
3. Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, countertops and similar finishing work.
4. Temporary stage sets and scenery
5. Shade cloth structures
6. Private residential swings and playground equipment
7. Moveable cases, counters and partitions not over 69 inches in height.

Exempt Electrical Construction:

1. Minor repair and maintenance such as the replacement of lamps and the connection of portable equipment to existing permanently installed receptacles
2. Equipment used for radio and television transmission
3. Temporary systems for testing or servicing of electrical equipment

Exempt Gas Facility Construction

1. Portable heating appliance
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Exempt Mechanical Construction

1. Portable heating appliance
2. Portable ventilation equipment
3. Portable cooling unit
4. Steam, hot or chilled water piping within equipment
5. Replacement of any part
6. Portable evaporative cooler

7. Self-contained refrigeration system less than 10 pounds of refrigerant and powered by a motor less than 1 horsepower

Exempt Plumbing Construction

1. Stopping leaks in drain, water, soil, waste or vent pipes
2. Clearing stoppages or repairing leaks in pipes, valves and fixtures
3. Removal and installation of water closets, faucets, and lavatories if accomplished without pipe changes or pipe replacement

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Public Utility

A permit is not required for the installation, alteration or repair of generation, transmission, distribution, metering or other related equipment that is, by established right, under the ownership and control of a public utility as the term "public utility" is defined in 66 Pa.C.S.102.