



## Department of Building Safety

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Frequently Ask Questions - For more information contact Building Safety at [buildingsafety@centertonar.us](mailto:buildingsafety@centertonar.us)

**Q. Do I need a permit to cover patio?**

A. Depends, will it be attached to home? If yes; A site plan with details of construction will be required for submittal and reviewed. Site plan will require measurements for building setbacks and easements.

Is Electric being installed? If yes; permits are required.

If it is not attached to house will It be attached to a permanent foundation? If so; it is not allowed in easements.

If it is portable (not permanently fixed to any foundation as such, a footing, slab, etc.) then it is required to follow accessory structure requirements. A site plan required to be submitted for review.

**Q. Do I need a permit to put a Shed in my rear/back yard? Do I need a Permit? Ord. No. 97-8, Ch. 2**

A. Depends, is it going to be fixed on a foundation? If so; there are requirements that pertain (site plan, easements, etc.)

If it is portable (not permanently fixed to foundation) and less than 200 square feet, no permit will be required. Is Electric being installed? If yes; permits are required.

**Q. Do I need a permit to extend my uncovered / covered patio?**

A. Depends, is it attached to home? If so; the patio is considered part of home and must stay within the building setbacks. Depending on type of construction; a permit may be required.

**Q. Do I need a permit to install a privacy fence?**

A. Depends, if your fence is taller than 7 ft (seven feet) then yes. If not then you must adhere to Ord. 97-8 sec. 2 for requirements. If you are located on a corner lot you need to contact Code Enforcement, Johnathan Easterling [jeasterling@centertonar.us](mailto:jeasterling@centertonar.us) for requirements.

**Q. Do I need a permit to extend my driveway?**

A. Depends, all driveway, curb or street requirements, contact Code Enforcement, Johnathan Easterling [jeasterling@centertonar.us](mailto:jeasterling@centertonar.us)

**Q. Do I need a permit for a Carport?**

A. Depends, will it be attached to home? A site plan showing building setback, easements, any utilities, etc. Is it detached? If so, a site plan is required for location on property. It is required that you show all dimensions, setbacks, easements, utilities, etc. This may require planning approval.

For all questions regarding Easements, Building Setbacks, Lots, Subdivision Requirements, contact Centerton Planning Department, [planning@centertonar.us](mailto:planning@centertonar.us) or Lorene Burns [lburns@centertonar.us](mailto:lburns@centertonar.us)

Q. **Do I need a permit to enclose Garage?**

A. Yes. Garages are storage and converting to a livable space will require code compliance for egress, lighting, electrical, mechanical and energy code.

Q. **Do I need a permit to add/replace siding, brick, etc. on residence?**

A. No.

Q. **Do I need a permit to paint my residence?**

A. No.

Q. **Do I need a permit to re-roof my residence?**

A. No, however, shall comply with code section R907 Reroofing. New roof coverings shall not be installed without first removing all existing layers. The structural roof components shall be capable of supporting the roof covering system and the material and equipment loads that will be encountered during installation of the roof covering system.

Q. **Do I need a permit for a swimming pool?**

A. Yes, for inground pools only. Please refer to Ord. 2019-08.

Q. **Do I need a permit to add on a room to residence?**

A. Yes, building plans, site plan, and permit application will be required.

Q. **Do I need a permit to change out water heater?**

A. Yes, this will need to comply with current Plumbing Code.

Q. **Do I need a permit to change out Air Condition / Furnace (HVAC)?**

A. Yes, a load calculation is required along with permit application. Must comply with current Mechanical Code.

Q. **Do I need a permit to change out electrical panel or meter box?**

A. Yes, must comply with current Electrical Code.

Q. **Do I need a permit for a Storm Shelter?**

A. Yes, the contract must submit a site plan, FEMA approved plans and permit application.

Any work proposed in flood zone area's shall be required to go thru flood plain administrator for approvals, before any permits from Building Safety will be reviewed and approved.