

# CITY OF MASSILLON - PERMITS 101 FAQ

### What is the purpose of permits and codes?

The purpose behind building codes is to give reasonable assurances that a home is safe from structural failure, fire hazards from electrical and heating systems, electrical shock and health risks. The permits provide a permanent record of the work performed and inspections conducted on the project. When issuing a permit, officials verify that the contractor has a valid contractor's license with the City of Massillon. On occasion, the permitting process will discover a contractor's license has been suspended. All this protects the homeowner. Also, some homeowners are finding that prospective buyers or lending institutions want proof that alterations were performed in compliance with local codes. Without a permit, there is no proof.

## When is a permit needed?

As a general rule, whenever a project is \$200 or more, a permit is needed. Whenever something is being added to the lot or something is being enlarged, a permit is needed. Below is a guideline of what type of work needs a permit. This list is intended as a guideline only, if you are in doubt you should always call the Building Department to see if you will need a permit.

#### **PERMIT IS REQUIRED FOR:**

\*Accessory Buildings/Sheds \*Garages (new & additions) Plumbing Work

\*Additions or Interior Remodels Glass Block Windows Re-roofing (house or garage)

Basement Waterproofing Gutters & Downspouts Siding (house or garage)

\*Decks (additions or remodels) Heating, Ventilating & Air Conditioning Signs (new and replacements)

Demolition/Razing Hot Water Tank Soffit & Fascia

Drywall Layover \*New Residential Dwellings Sump Pumps-new (electrical permit also required)

Electrical Work \*New Commercial Buildings \*Swimming Pools

#### **PERMIT IS NOT REQUIRED FOR:**

Concrete (except for street opening or public sidewalk)

Patio/Porch (not covered); covered roof requires a permit

Replacing floor coverings (commercial will require permit)

Installing phone or cable TV wire Retaining wall (unless creates drop over 30")

Landscaping (trees, bushes, shrubs, etc.)

Replacing residential tub surround; commercial will need a permit

Painting or Carpeting Storm Door (new or replacements)

## How much does a permit cost?

Building Permits are based on the cost of the job as follows: \$5.00 per \$1,000 of job cost plus a \$50.00 base fee. There is also a State Assessment Fee added to that amount, residential is 1% and commercial is 3%. If the project is over \$100,000, the rate drops to \$1.00 per \$1,000, after the initial \$100,000. Depending on what is being done, additional inspections or plan review fees may be added to the permit fee.

## How do I get a permit?

The Massillon Building Department hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30-4:30. For additions, decks, porches, garages, fences, sheds, swimming pools, etc., you will need to submit a plot plan showing the dimensions of the property and the distances from proposed structure to the lot lines and from the house. Along with the plot plan, a completed building permit application will need to be filled out. For structural changes or additions, submit a wall cross section or drawing showing construction details and specifications.

<sup>\*</sup>indicates drawings are required to be submitted and reviewed before a permit can be issued.



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## CITY OF MASSILLON, OHIO **APPLICATION FOR BUILDING PERMIT**

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O THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT:  PPLICATION IS HEREBY MADE FOR PERMIT TO REPAIR/REMODEL/ERECT/RAZE A STRUCTURE AS HEREIN DESCRIBED:  HE ACCEPTANCE OF WHICH SHALL CONSTITUTE AN AGREEMENT ON OWNER'S PART TO ABIDE BY ALL CONDITIONS HEREIN CONTAINED, AND TO COMPLY WITH  LL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MASSILLON AND THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OHIO RELATING TO THE WORK TO BE DONE HEREUNDER:					
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**ADDRESS** 

	CITY/STATE/ZIP	EMAIL_	
ELEC. CONTRACTOR	PLUMB. CONTRACTOR_	HEATING CONTRACTOR	
PHONE PHONE PHONE		PHONE	
JOB SITE LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION	PERMIT FEE COST SCHEDULE:		
NUMBER AND STREET	FOOTER (\$30 EACH)		
SIDE OF STREET SUBLOT NO	ALLOTMENT	FOUNDATION (\$30 EACH)	
LOT FT. FRONT		ROUGH(S) (\$30 EACH)	
BEING FT. REAR		ADD'L INSPECTIONS	
NUMBER OF STORIES AND BASEMENT	ESTIMATED COST OF JOB_	(\$30 EACH)	
SIZE OF BUILDING: WIDTH DEPTI	TOTAL HEIGHT_	PLAN REVIEW	
TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION: FRAME COMPOSITE	PENALTY		
SQ. FT. OF CONTENTS HOW IS BUILDIN	G TO BE OCCUPIED? CLASS OF BLDG	\$50 BASE PERMIT FEE (INCLUDES FINAL INSP.)	
IS STREET CURB IN TO ESTABLISH GRADE IN FRONT C	F BUILDING? BLDG GRADE NECESSARY	\$5.00 PER THOUSAND	
DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF WORK BEING DON	OF ESTIMATED COST OF CONSTRUCTION (UP TO \$100,000)		
		\$500 ABOVE +PLUS \$1.00 PER THOUSAND OF ESTIMATED COST	
THE APPLICANT, AGENT, OWNER OF THIS BUILDING AND THE U	OF CONSTRUCTION (OVER \$100,000)		
OF THE CITY OF MASSILLON AND STATE OF OHIO. (2) IS RESPO LIMITS. (3) NO REFUND WILL BE ISSUED. (4) THE ADDRESS IS O ALL INSPECTIONS. (6) OWNER OR CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY			
EIGHT HOURS BUT NOT MORE THAN TEN WORKING DAYS BEFO	1% RESIDENTIAL ASSESSMENT FEE		
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT		3% COMMERCIAL ASSESSMENT FEE	
		TOTAL PERMIT FEE	

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: **BUILDING PERMIT** 

REMODEL YOU ARE HEREBY GRANTED PERMISSION TO: REPAIR ☐ ERECT RAZE

THE STRUCTURE AT THE ABOVE LISTED JOB SITE LOCATION IN THE CITY OF MASSILLON, OHIO, IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR APPLICATION ON FILE IN THIS DEPARTMENT, SAID STRUCTURE TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN ONE YEAR. UNTIL THAT TIME YOU HAVE PERMISSION TO OCCUPY ONE-THIRD OF THE STREET IN FRONT OF SAID LOTS. IF THE SIDEWALK IS OBSTRUCTED, A TEMPORARY SIDEWALK, FOUR FEET IN WIDTH AT LEAST, AS HIGH AS THE CURB LINE, MUST BE CONSTRUCTED AROUND THE OBSTRUCTION AND THE SIDE TOWARDS THE STREET TO BE TIGHTLY BOARDED UP TO 3 FEET IN HEIGHT ABOVE THE WALK, BUT AT ALL TIMES, YOU ARE TO COMPLY WITH THE ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MASSILLON AND THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OHIO RELATIVE TO THE CONSTRUCTION, REMODELING AND ERECTING OF BUILDINGS. AND IN ADDITION THERETO, THE RECIPIENT OF THIS PERMIT SHALL INDEMNIFY AND SAVE HARMLESS THE CITY OF MASSILLON OR ANY PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL OR CORPORATION THAT MAY BE DAMAGED THROUGH THE CONSTRUCTION, REMODELING, ERECTION OR RAZING OF THE STRUCTURE.

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