

WORK EXEMPT FROM BUILDING PERMIT

If you have any questions as to whether your project requires a permit, please contact the Risk Reduction office at 785-587-4506.

- One-story detached accessory structures provided the floor area does not exceed 200 square feet.
- Fences not over 7 feet high.
- Retaining walls that are not over 7 feet in height measured from grade on the low side to the top of the wall, unless supporting a surcharge or impounding class I, II or IIIA liquids.
- Water tanks supported directly on grade if the capacity does not exceed 5,000 gallons and the ratio of height to diameter or width does not exceed 2:1.
- Sidewalks, driveways and non-enclosed or covered decks not more than 30 inches above adjacent grade at any point, and not over any story or basement below and are not part of an accessory route.
- Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, countertops and similar finish work.
- Temporary motion picture, television and theater stage sets and scenery.
- Prefabricated swimming pools accessory to one and two family dwellings that are less than 24 inches deep, do not exceed 5,000 gallons and are installed entirely above ground.
- Shade cloth structures constructed for nursery or agricultural purposes, not including service systems.
- Swings and other playground equipment.
- Window awnings supported by an exterior wall which do not project more than 54 inches from the exterior wall and do not require additional support.
- Non-fixed and movable fixtures, cases, racks, counters and partitions not over 5 feet 9 inches in height.
- Demolition of structures under 200 square feet.
- Egress windows that gain height but not width to accommodate openable area.
- Changes of occupancy to an equal or lesser hazard category where no other work is being done.

