

Do I Need A Permit?

Code Enforcement and Fire Prevention

Town of Harmony Building Permits

The Town zoning laws and permit process protects structure and property standards through enforcement of New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code and through Local Laws. All construction and remodeling, including swimming pools and accessory structures are inspected for compliance with code requirements.

The following examples are presented as a guideline only to assist the property owner in determining the requirements of a permit and are not limited to this list. If you do not see it on the list it is your responsibility to contact the code enforcement officer for clarification.

Permit NOT required

- Tear off/ roof replacement.
- Add or replace gutters and/or downspouts.
- Insulate or weatherstrip.
- Replace windows or doors.
- Plumbing, electric, mechanical upgrades.
- Add or improve landscaping.
- Install awnings.
- Siding.
- Sheds under 144 sq.ft.

Permits REQUIRED

- New home construction and/or addition
- Change building use (one example, convert single to duplex)
- Make structural changes.
- Add a porch and/or a deck.
- Roof over porch and/or deck.
- Add, alter, or enlarge a garage.
- Construct or add an accessory building or Shed over 144 sq.ft. with or without walls.
- Add a swimming pool.
- Demolition or removal of any structure.
- Roof structure alteration or replacement.
- Foundation replacement

Town Law requires a permit **before** any construction is started.