



## WHEN ARE PERMITS REQUIRED?

### REQUIRED

- Basement remodels
- Room and garage additions
- Detached accessory structures (garages, storage sheds) with floor space over 200 square feet
- Storm Shelters of any size
- Foundations for future accessory structures
- Installation or replacement of furnace and/or air conditioner
- Installation or replacement of water heater
- Replacing windows or exterior doors
- Changing tub or shower (plumbing)
- Bathroom vanity when changing size or length
- Kitchen remodeling - replacement of cabinets, addition of electrical requirements, relocation of appliances
- Re-siding of dwelling – over 2 squares
- Shingling/roofing – over 2 squares, not more than 2 layers on roof and ice dam material 2' into warm space
- Decks when over 30" from grade, over a basement, or supporting unusual loads.
- Decks when under 30" from grade if over 200 sq. ft. or serving the main entrance, screened, 3 or 4 seasons porches
- Swimming pools over 24" deep or over 5,000 gallons of water
- Hot tubs

### NOT REQUIRED

- Gutter replacement
- Storm doors or storm windows
- Overhead garage door replacement – with no change of size
- Decks or platforms under 30" above adjoining grade and not over any basement or story and not supporting floor, roof or unusual loads and under 200 square feet (check zoning for location requirements)
- Minor maintenance and repair of building exterior including trim, siding boards, and deck cover where structural damage has not occurred
- Kitchen countertop replacement (same size and same sink location)
- Detached residential accessory structure (storage shed, etc.) not exceeding 200 square feet floor area (check zoning for location requirements)
- Fence not over 7' high (check zoning for location of fence)
- Retaining walls that are not over 4' in height measured from the bottom of the footing to the top of the wall, unless supporting a surcharge
- Sidewalks and driveways that are not in city right-of-way, not more than 30" above adjacent grade and not above or beside any basement or story below
- Swings and other playground equipment accessory to a one or two family dwelling
- Window awnings supported by an exterior wall
- Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, and similar finish work

**If you do not see your project on this list or have any other questions, please call the Building Department at 319-743-6330 to confirm requirements.**