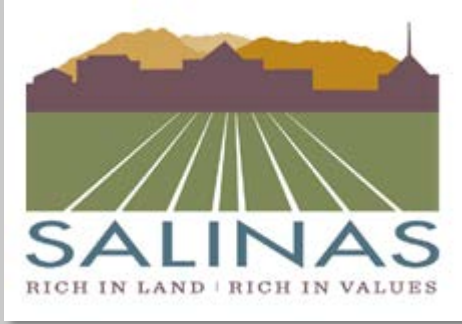


The Building Permit Process



Plan Check

Permit

Inspection

By Applicant

By Permit Center

Plans submitted to Permit Center

Review plans and issue corrections

Plans corrected

Corrections verified

Permit Issued

Construction started

Request Inspections

Construction inspected

Building, Plumbing, Electrical etc.

Permit finalized

Minor Permits:

These permits are usually reviewed over the counter at the time of submittal. Some examples of minor permits are:

- Residential Kitchen Remodel
- Residential Bathroom Remodels
- Sign Permits
- Backflow Preventers
- Solar 10kW and under
- Water heater:
new/relocate/change size
- Electrical Service/Main/Sub panels:
new/relocate/change size
- FAU/Wall heater change out
- Interior Removal of finishes (no plans)
- Demolition of Whole Buildings and Ag Wells
- Abbreviated permits:
Reroof, Water heater replacement, electrical panel change out, water softeners
- Minor damage repair:
sheetrock, stucco, piping, insulation, siding.

No Building Permit Required:

This list is based on section 105 of the California Building Code. Here are some common projects not requiring a building permit:

- Cabinet refacing or replacement without changing walls, plumbing, or electrical configurations
- Countertop replacement
- Decorative tile installations
- Floor finishes such as carpet, linoleum, tile, etc. Painting
- “Non-Rated” sheetrock locations
- Appliance repairs that do not alter the appliance’s original approval and listing
- Electrical circuit breaker and fuse replacements (do get a permit to replace a main disconnect) Electrical outlet replacements
- Electrical switch replacements in existing boxes Awnings over doors or windows that do not project more than 54 inches in Group R-3 or U occupancies
- Detached accessory structures of 120 square feet or less and that will not be electrically wired
- Fences not over 7 feet tall
- Retaining walls not over 4 feet in height measured from the bottom of the footing to the top of the wall, not supporting a surcharge

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What is Required to Submit:

Get a submittal checklist customized for your project. Download the Pre-application form from our website and email the completed form to askbuilding@ci.salinas.ca.us