



DO I NEED A PERMIT?

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When considering a project, it is highly **recommended to contact the Planning Department** to determine what regulations apply and what approvals may be necessary prior to beginning a project.

To find your zoning district, please visit the online zoning map at www.gahanna.gov/gis-maps/.

To review applicable zoning and building regulations, please review the code of ordinances at library.municode.com/oh/Gahanna

TYPE OF WORK	ZONING PERMIT/APPLICATION	BUILDING PERMIT	
		Residential	Commercial
Commercial Building Addition	Yes	N/A	Yes
Deck	Yes - <i>If freestanding and under 200sf</i>	Yes - <i>If attached, over 200sf, 30" above grade, or serving required egress door</i>	Yes
Demolition	Yes - <i>If Olde Gahanna zoning</i>	Yes - <i>If over 200sf or attached to main structure</i>	Yes
Driveway Approach ¹	No	Yes	Yes
Driveway	Yes - <i>If commercial</i>	No	No
Electrical Work	No	Yes	Yes
Fence	Yes	Yes - <i>if higher than 6ft</i>	Yes - <i>if higher than 6ft</i>
Finishing a Basement	No	Yes	Yes
Furnace Replacement	No	Yes	Yes
Garage	No	Yes	Yes
Gazebo/Pergola	Yes - <i>If under 200sf</i>	Yes - <i>If over 200sf or attached to main structure</i>	Yes - <i>If over 120sf</i>
Generator	No	Yes	Yes
Home Occupation	Yes	No	N/A
Hot Tub / Spas	Yes	No - <i>Permit will be required for electrical work</i>	No - <i>Permit will be required for electrical work</i>
HVAC	No	Yes	Yes
Interior Alteration	No	Yes	Yes
Load-Bearing Structural Work	No	Yes	Yes
New House	No	Yes - <i>Subject to zoning review</i>	N/A

¹ Right-of-Way permit required. Contact Engineering Division for more information.

MORE INFORMATION ON BACK...

Opening a Business ²	<i>Contact zoning</i>	N/A	<i>Contact building</i>
Commercial Parking Lot	Yes	N/A	N/A
Patio	Yes - <i>if commercial</i>	No	No
Plumbing	No	Yes	Yes
Pole Barn/Barn	Yes – <i>if under 200sf</i>	Yes – <i>if over 200sf</i>	Yes – <i>if over 120sf</i>
Porch	Yes - <i>if freestanding and under 200sf</i>	Yes	Yes
Relocating a Business ³	<i>Contact zoning</i>	N/A	<i>Contact building</i>
Roofing	No	<i>Contact building</i>	<i>Contact building</i>
Residential Building Addition	No	Yes - <i>Subject to zoning review</i>	N/A
Shed	Yes – <i>if under 200sf</i>	Yes – <i>if over 200sf and unattached from main structure</i>	Yes – <i>if over 120sf</i>
Public Sidewalk ⁴	No	Yes – <i>if part of the driveway approach</i>	Yes – <i>if part of the driveway approach</i>
Signs	Yes - <i>Subject to building review</i>	No	<i>Contact building</i>
Solar Energy Structure	No	Yes	Yes
Swimming Pool	A fence permit may be required	Yes	Yes
Temporary Activity	Yes ⁵ – <i>if commercial</i>	No	<i>Contact building</i>
Temporary Structure	N/A	<i>Contact building</i>	<i>Contact building</i>
Wireless Communication Facility	<i>Contact zoning</i>	N/A	Yes

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² Contact Economic Development for more information.

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⁵ Review [Section 1167.08](#) of zoning code. Contact Zoning Division for more information.