



CITY OF PATASKALA PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

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DO I NEED A PERMIT?

Most development in the City of Pataskala is regulated by two different codes: The City Zoning Code and the Ohio Building Code. Receiving a zoning permit is generally the first step in the development process, followed by applying to and receiving a building permit.

The **zoning code** is oriented towards how a project fits into the community based on regulations for setbacks, types of uses, height, parking requirements, and other similar criteria. The City is divided into zoning districts and each zoning district will have its own set of regulations. For example, the regulations that apply in a residential zoning district will be different than those for a commercial district. The City of Pataskala Planning and Zoning Department is responsible for administering the zoning code and issuing zoning permits.

The **building code** is oriented toward ensuring that structures are constructed to an appropriate standard and are safe of the uses intended. The Licking County Building Department is responsible for administering the building code and issuing building permits.

The types of projects listed below are just some of the projects that require a zoning permit, a building permit, or both. When you are considering a project, it is best to contact the Planning and Zoning Department to determine what regulations apply and what approvals may be necessary prior to beginning the project.

TYPE OF WORK	ZONING PERMIT	LICKING COUNTY BUILDING PERMIT	
		Residential	Commercial
Antenna Tower	Yes	No	Yes
Deck	Yes	Yes, if over 200 square feet/30" above grade / Attached to House	Yes
Demolition	Yes	No	No
Driveway	Yes	No	No
Electrical Work	No	Yes	Yes
Fence	Yes	No	Yes, if over 6 feet
Finishing a Basement	No	Yes	Yes
Furnace Replacement	No	Yes	Yes
Garage	Yes	Yes, if over 200 square feet	Yes
Gazebo	Yes	Yes, if over 200 square feet	Yes
Home Occupation	Yes	No	N/A
Hot Tub / Spas	No	Yes	Yes
Load-Bearing Structural Work	No	Yes	Yes
New House	Yes	Yes	N/A
Opening a Business	Yes	No	Yes
Parking Lot	Yes	No	No
Patio	Yes	No	Yes, if egressed
Pole Barn	Yes	Yes, if over 200 square feet	Yes
Porch	Yes	Yes	Yes
Relocating a Business	Yes	No	Yes, with exceptions
Room Addition	Yes	Yes	Yes
Shed	Yes	Yes, if over 200 square feet	Yes, if over 120'
Sidewalk	Yes, if in right-of-way	No	Yes, if for accessibility to entrance
Signs	Yes	No	Yes, with exceptions
Swimming Pool	Yes	Yes	Yes
Temporary Activity	Yes	Yes, with exceptions	Yes, with exceptions

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