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What is a building permit?

A building permit is a license which grants legal permission to start construction of a project. It means that the Township of Wellington North has approved plans for any new structure, addition or renovation. Approved plans must comply with the Ontario Building Code, local zoning by-laws, and other applicable laws and regulations.

Who is responsible for obtaining a building permit?

Often the contractor will as part of their contract apply and obtain a building permit. Any person found constructing or demolishing a building or causing the construction or demolition without a permit could be fined.

Why is it needed?

Building permits regulate types of construction allowed in the community and ensure that building standards, zoning by-law requirements and fire and structural standards are met.

What projects require a building permit?

The [Building Code Act](#) requires a building permit for the construction of any structure which results in a building of over 10m² (108ft²) including renovations, additions and alterations and includes plumbing not located in a structure, a sewage system and other designated structures.

What projects do not require a building permit?

A building permit is not required for a detached accessory structure that measures 10m² (108ft²) in area or less. Although your project may not require a building permit, you must still comply with the requirements of the Zoning By-law and Building Code requirements.

When is a demolition permit required?

A demolition permit is required before you take down all or part of a building. The process is much the same as for a building permit; however, your application may be affected by special situations. For example, if a building has historical or architectural significance, it may be designated as a heritage building under the Ontario Heritage Act. Demolition will require Municipal Council's approval in your area.