

Permit Description - Residential

Residential Permit Definitions for the Customer

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Residential Permit Descriptions

For all residential <https://fortworthtexas.gov/developmentservices/permits/residential/>

What does “**Residential**” mean?

- ✓ Detached one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses
- ✓ on individually platted lots
- ✓ not more than three stories above grade plane in height (no more than 3 stories tall)
- ✓ with a separate means of egress
- ✓ their accessory structures not more than three stories above grade plane in height (no more than 3 stories tall)

What type of “**Residential Permit**” do I need to apply for?

Below each residential permit type is defined.

Residential Accessory Addition Permit-

This permit type is used for construction that is outside the existing walls and physically attached to an existing accessory structure at a single family home, a duplex, or townhouse on its own lot. Also for adding square footage to a residential accessory structure.

Example: Enlarging a storage shed, adding a patio cover to a pool house

Residential Accessory New Permit-

This permit is for building new accessory structures from the ground up at a single family home, a duplex, or townhouse on its own lot.

Example: Private workshops and storage sheds, swimming pools on the same lot as the residential house, carports

Residential Accessory Remodel Permit-

This permit is for interior or exterior remodeling of an existing accessory structure at a single family home, a duplex, or townhouse on its own lot.

Example: Adding roll up door on a storage shed, adding a window on a storage shed

Residential Addition Permit-

This permit type is used for construction that is outside the existing walls and physically attached to an existing single family home, a duplex, or townhouse on its own lot.

Example: Adding a new bedroom, adding an attached covered porch or patio cover

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Residential Moving Permit-

This permit is for moving an entire house or duplex. Moving a residential home within the City limits.

Example: Moving an existing home from one lot inside the city to another, moving a home from outside the city to a lot inside the city

Residential New Building Permit-

This permit is for constructing a new single family home, a duplex, or townhouse on its own lot. Construction of a new single family home, duplex or townhome from the ground up on an individual lot.

Example: New single family homes, duplexes, townhouses where each unit is on its own platted lot

Residential Razing Permit-

This permit is to completely demolish a single family home, duplex or townhouse on its own lot. To demolish a portion of a residential building see residential remodel construction permit.

Example: Demolishing a single family home, duplex, or townhome on its own lot

Residential Remodel Construction Permit-

This permit is for interior or exterior remodeling of an single family home, duplex, or townhome on it's own lot.

Example: Replacing doors or windows, reconfigure bathrooms, remodel kitchen

Residential Remodel Reroof Permit-

This permit to re-roof and replace decking on a residential lot. Shingle only replacements do not require a permit.

Example: replace roof decking on a roof