



Newark/Licking County

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Please be advised that the State of Ohio has made several changes to the residential building code.

Previously local officials could decide what types of projects in their jurisdiction would require a building permit. With the changes the State has made, we must now require a building permit for many projects which previously were exempt. Below is a list of some of the 1, 2, and 3-family residential projects which now require a building permit and under what code the work is regulated:

New one-, two-, or three-Family site-built home.	RCO
Installation of a manufactured home.	OAC 4781-6
Garage attached to one-, two-, or three-family site-built or manufactured home.	RCO
Addition to a one-, two-, or three-family site-built or manufactured dwelling	RCO
Demolition of structures other than agricultural	RCO & OBC
Open porch addition to one-, two-, or three-family site-built or manufactured home.	RCO
Raised wood deck attached to house (regardless of size)	RCO
Raised wood deck not attached to house and >200 Square Feet	RCO
Detached garage or shed > 200 square feet.	RCO
Replacement of furnace in one-, two-, or three-family home.	RCO
Replacement or addition of electrical wiring in one-, two-, or three-family home.	RCO
Change from residential use to commercial use, with or without modifications to the building/structure.	OBC
Finishing of basement in one-, two-, or three-family site-built or manufactured home.	RCO

The complete text of the scope of the residential code can be found in Section R101.2 of the Residential Code of Ohio.

The above are only a small fraction of the types of projects that require permits through this office, but are the most common. If there is any question at all about whether a permit is required, please contact this office to seek a determination from us. In some cases, a meeting with the building owner and/or contractor may be necessary to make the determination.

CODE KEY:

- RCO** Residential Code of Ohio
- OAC 4781-6** Ohio Manufactured Homes Commission rules
- OBC** Ohio Building Code (also known as the "commercial code")

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