



Borough of Helmetta

Code Enforcement

These are just a few items that require a building permit

	BLDG.	ELEC.	PLUMBING	FIRE	ZONING
Bathroom renovations	yes	yes	yes	no	
Replacement of tub-sinks-toilets	no	no	no	no	
Replacement of tub to whirlpool tub	no	yes	yes	no	
Exterior hot tubs	yes	yes	no	no	yes
Water heater replacement	no	no	yes	no	
Adding or removing int.ext. walls	yes	if wiring	if piping	no	
Furnace or Boiler replacement	yes	yes	yes	yes	
A/C units, new or replacement	yes	yes	yes	no	
Sheds / over 100 SQ. FT.	yes	no	no	no	yes
Roofing & Siding	yes	no	no	no	
Vinyl window replacement	no	no	no	no	
Windows/changing opening size	yes	no	no	no	
Structural repairs	yes	no	no	no	
Kitchen renovations	yes	yes	yes	yes	
Fences	no	no	no	no	yes
Swimming pools-All	yes	yes	no	no	yes
Swimming pools with heaters	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Bedrooms in basements NOT ALLOWED- UNLESS DOOR HAS ACCESS DIRECTLY TO EXTERIOR.					

- If hiring a contractor for your home project, make sure your estimate includes a permit. If work is done without a permit, the contractor and the homeowner are held responsible and are subject to a penalty not to exceed \$2000.00 dollars, per violation.
- HOUSING INSPECTIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL TRANSFERS OF HOMES, CONDOS, TOWNHOUSES. CHANGE OF TENANTS OR OWNERSHIP. AS PER BOROUGH ORDINENCE. Applications can be picked up at the building department.
- If a homeowner applies for a permit and list themselves as the contractor, they are responsible for all work done.
- CONTRACTORS CAN NOT DRAW THERE OWN PLANS.
- Homeowners can draw there own plans, but it shall be recommended by the code official to hire a New Jersey Licensed Architect should the plans lack detailed information.
- Permits are required so that minimum code requirements are met under the Uniform Construction Code in the State of New Jersey. These codes were put in place to protect the health, safety and welfare of all residents and structures, and will be strictly enforced by the Helmetta Building Department. Please refer any questions you might have to our office at (732)521-0386 ext. 101. We are all hear to help you with all your home projects.

Sincerely,
 Bob Simonelli
 Construction Official, BOH