



□ General Questions— Chatfield City Hall, 867-3810

□ Building Permit Status and Inspections—Olmsted County Planning Department

Minnesota Building Code



The City enforces the Minnesota Building Code. Olmsted County Planning Department administers the building permit process for the City.

A permit is required for;

- ☐ all buildings larger than 200 square feet
- ☐ all structural repairs and improvements
- ☐ roofing projects
- ☐ re-shingling
- ☐ siding
- ☐ furnaces & air conditioners
- ☐ finishing
- ☐ water heaters
- ☐ fireplaces
- ☐ moving structures
- ☐ decks (replacement & new)
- ☐ demolitions.



To locate any underground utilities.

Gopher State One Call
800-252-1166

Call 2 working days before you dig.



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Does It Need a Permit? & Setbacks

City of
Chatfield, Minnesota



*Building Permit
&
Zoning
Information*

Quick Reference Guide
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Tel: 507-867-3810

Permits



Does It Need a Permit ?

Permits ARE REQUIRED for;

- All new construction that creates a building that is larger than 200 square feet
- All structural repairs and improvements
- Roof projects
- Shingling / Re-shingling
- Adding / replacing a deck
- Siding
- Remodeling
- Install Gas / Wood Fireplace
- Furnaces & Air Conditioners
- Install / Replace Water Heater
- Structure moving & Demo
- Swimming Pools that can hold 200 gallons of water

Permits ARE NOT REQUIRED for;

- One-story detached accessory buildings used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses, and similar uses, provided the floor area is less than 200 square feet
- Fences not over 6 feet high (see fence brochure for further details)
- Moveable cases, counters and

partitions not over 5 feet 9 inches high.

- Retaining walls that are not over 4 feet in height measured from the bottom of the footing to the top of the wall
- Platforms, walks and driveways no more than 30 inches above grade and not over any basement or story below.
- Painting, papering and similar finish work

How do I apply for a building or demolition permit?

Building permit application forms are available;

- Chatfield City Hall, 21 Second Street 867-3810
- www.ci.chatfield.mn.us

Applications for a permit shall be made on the forms furnished by the city. Each application for a permit must be accompanied by a plan drawn to scale showing the dimensions of the lot to be built upon and the size and location of the building and accessory buildings to be built or altered. Additional information may be requested if necessary for the proper enforcement of the building code.

How much does a building permit cost?

Several factors are involved in calculating the cost of a building permit. The primary factor is the value of the construction project.

Setbacks—General Guideline, Reference Ordinance for Specifics

Zone	Front Setback	Side Setback	Rear Setback
*R-1 Single Family Residential	25'	6' 16'Total	25'
*R-2 Multi-Family Residential	25'	8' 20'Total	25'
*RR Rural Residential	25'	25' 50'Total	50'
*B-1 General Commercial	NA	NA	NA
*B-2 Neighborhood Commercial	25'	0' 20'Total	20'
*I-1 Light Industrial	40'	10' 20'Total	20'
*I-2 General Industrial	50'	10' 20'Total	50'

How long is a building permit valid?

A building permit shall be valid for one year after the date of issuance, and shall expire if the construction is not started within that period.

*Note

Additional regulations apply regarding building height, corner lots, etc. Be sure to reference the full code of ordinances for your specific situation.