

TOWN OF SIDNEY

When is a Plumbing Permit Required?

The Town of Sidney Building Bylaw No. 2016 requires that a Plumbing Permit is necessary when a plumbing system is constructed, installed, extended, altered, renewed or repaired, or connected to a municipal sewer, drain or water service. This includes but is not limited to the following:

- installation of a new fixtures, such as a sink or shower;
- removing of a fixture or part of a plumbing system;
- extension or installation of a sanitary sewer, storm sewer or water service;
- installation or alteration of a fire sprinkler system or standpipe system;
- installation or alteration of a footing drain or storm drain system;
- installation of any back-flow prevention devices; and
- installation of a lawn irrigation system (DCV backflow device required).

A Plumbing Permit would not be required for minor modifications such as: when a valve, faucet, fixture or service water heater is repaired, a stoppage cleared or a leak repaired if no change to the piping is required.

Personnel Performing Plumbing Work

Personnel performing the installation, alteration, or repair to a plumbing system shall:

- possess a British Columbia Tradesman's Qualification Certification as a plumber;
- be an indentured apprentice supervised by a journeyman possessing a British Columbia Tradesman's Qualifications Certification as a plumber; or
- be the registered owner of the single family dwelling in which plumbing work will occur, provided evidence can be provided the owner can satisfactorily complete the proposed work.

Please note that at the time of a plumbing inspection, the Building Official may request an "as built drawing" of all groundwork done on site.

If you have questions, please contact the Development Services Department at 250-656-1725 or by email at developmentservices@sidney.ca.