

A. Section 105.2 / R105.2, "Work exempt from permit" is amended to read as follows:

105.2 / R105.2 Work exempt from permit. Exemptions from permit requirements of this code shall not be deemed to grant authorization for any work to be done in any manner in violation of the provisions of this code or any other laws or ordinances of this jurisdiction. Permits shall not be required for the following:

105.2 (A) / R105.2 (A) Building Permits. A building permit shall not be required for:

1. One-story detached accessory structures used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses and similar uses, provided the floor area of such structures with walls does not exceed 120 square feet, with a maximum 12 inch overhang or eave, and structures with four open sides do not exceed 120 square feet in roof area. All structures must meet set-back requirements as determined by the City Planning Department.
2. Fences not over 7 feet (2134 mm) high. Please see Rancho Cordova Municipal Code <http://www.codepublishing.com/CA/ranchocordova/> for height limits and location on fences **RCMC 23.731.050**.
3. Oil derricks.
4. Retaining walls that are not over 4 feet (1219 mm) in height measured from the bottom of the footing to the top of the wall, unless supporting a surcharge or impounding Class I, II or III-A liquids. Retaining walls constructed of reinforced concrete or reinforced masonry and do not retain more than 36 inches of earth. Retaining walls constructed of pre-cast block retaining wall systems installed per the manufacturer's installation instructions and do not retain more than 36 inches of earth. Retaining walls constructed of decay resistant or treated wood and do not retain more than 24 inches of earth. Retaining walls covered under improvement plans prescribed in Chapter 12.03 of the Rancho Cordova code.
5. Water tanks supported directly on grade if the capacity does not exceed 5000 gallons and the ratio of height to diameter or width does not exceed 2:1.
6. Residential sidewalks and driveways and sidewalks and driveways not more than 30 inches (762 mm) above adjacent grade, and not over any basement or story below and are not part of an accessible route.
7. Decks not exceeding 200 square feet in area, that are not more than 30 inches above grade at any point, are not attached to a dwelling, and do not serve the exit door required by Section R311.4 (Residential only).
8. Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops and similar finish work.
9. Temporary motion picture, television and theater stage sets and scenery.
10. Prefabricated swimming pools accessory to a Group R-3 occupancy that are less than 24 inches deep, do not exceed 5,000 gallons and are installed entirely above ground. Electrical pumps and decking not conforming to number "8" of this section are not exempt.
11. Shade cloth structures constructed for nursery or agricultural purposes, not including service systems.
12. Swings and other playground equipment accessory to detached one and two-family dwellings. (Residential only)
13. Window awnings supported by an exterior wall that do not project more than 54 inches from the exterior wall and do not require additional support of Group R-3 and U occupancies. (Residential only)
14. Non fixed and movable fixtures, cases, racks, counters and partitions not over 5 feet 9 inches in height.

105.2 (B) / R105.2 (B) Electrical Permits. An Electrical permit shall not be required for:

1. Portable motors or other portable appliances energized by means of a cord or cable having an attachment plug end to be connected to an approved receptacle when that cord or cable is permitted by the RC Electrical Code.
2. Repair or replacement of fixed motors, transformers, or fixed approved appliances of the same type of rating in the same location within Group R, Division 3 Occupancies. (Residential only)
3. Listed cord-and-plug connected temporary decorative lighting.
4. Repair or replacement of current-carrying parts of any switch, conductor, or control device.
5. Reinstallation of attachment receptacles but not the outlets therefore.
6. Repair or replacement of electrodes or transformers of the same size and capacity for signs or gas tube systems.
7. Temporary wiring for experimental purposes in suitable experimental laboratories.
8. The wiring for temporary theater, motion picture, or television stage sets.
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10. The provisions of this code shall not apply to electrical equipment used for radio and television transmissions, but do apply to equipment and wiring for a power supply and the installations of towers and antennas.
11. Electrical wiring, devices, appliances, apparatus, or equipment operating at less than 25 volts and not capable of supplying more than 50 watts of energy.
12. Low-energy power, control, and signal circuits of Classes I and II as defined in the RC Electrical Code.
13. A permit shall not be required for the installation, alteration, or repair of electrical wiring, apparatus, or equipment or the generation, transmission, distribution, or metering of electrical energy or in the operation of signals or the transmission of intelligence by a public or private utility in the exercise of its function as a serving utility.

105.2 (C) / R105.2 (C) Mechanical Permits.

See the 2013 California Mechanical Code Chapter 1, Division II, Part III, Section 112.2 for exempt work.

105.2 (D) / R105.2 (D) Plumbing Permits.

See the 2013 California Plumbing Code Chapter 1, Division II, Section 103.1.2 for exempt work.

Sign permits. A sign permit shall not be required for the following:

1. The changing of the advertising copy or message on a painted or printed sign only. Except for theater marquees and similar signs specifically designed for the use of replaceable copy, electrical signs shall not be included in this exemption.
2. Painting, repainting, or cleaning of an advertising structure or the changing of the advertising copy or message thereon shall not be considered an erection or alteration that requires a sign permit unless a structural change is made.
3. Temporary signs:
 - a. Real estate signs allowed per the Zoning Code of Rancho Cordova.
 - b. Temporary construction signs, signs identifying architects, landscape architects, engineers, contractors, or builders provided the signs are located on the construction site and the signs do not exceed 4 square feet in area.
 - c. Political, religious, and civic campaign signs.
 - d. Promotional signs.
4. Signs identified by the Rancho Cordova Zoning Code as being exempt from the provisions of the RC Zoning Code.