

ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLING AND TOWNHOUSE DAMAGE RECOVERY PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

When it is deemed safe to return to homes in wildfire affected areas, repairing and rebuilding can begin. To expedite the permit process and avoid unnecessary filings, here is some helpful information:

What work can I do without a permit?

Many basic recovery activities do not require a structural permit. Common examples include:

- Ordinary repairs
- Cosmetic interior finish work (linoleum, tiling, carpeting, cabinetry, painting)
- Exterior siding repair and replacement (where not required to be fire-resistive)
- Existing window and door replacement (where no structural member is changed)
- Retrofitted insulation (including removal and replacement)
- Fences seven feet or less in height
- Masonry repair
- Attached patio covers 200 sq. ft. or less
- Detached accessory buildings 200 sq. ft. or less (that do not contain habitable/ livable space)
- Gutters and downspouts

A full list of exempt work is available through your local building department.

When is a permit required?

Common examples of work that requires a permit include:

- Electrical work
- Plumbing work
- Removal of any wall, beam, or other load bearing support
- Removal, rearrangement, or change of the means of egress (doors, egress windows, etc.)
- Mechanical systems
- Reconstruction of exterior walls or roof structure

Who do I contact if I need a permit?

If you require a permit for damage caused by the wildfires please contact your local building department *before* requesting a permit online to determine permit fee waiver eligibility. Contact information for your local building department can be found online at: Oregon.gov/bcd/lbdd.