

FAQ

What code cycles does the City of Sugar Land inspect off of? 2015 ICC codes and 2020 NEC (State of Texas has adopted 2020)

Can a homeowner apply for a permit? Yes.

Can the homeowner act as a contractor? Yes.

How long is my permit good for? 180 days.

More Info:



Online
www.sugarlandtx.gov/CSS



Phone
281-275-2270

Homeowner Resources

Interested in doing repairs on your home or learning about the permitting process in the City of Sugar Land in general?

City of Sugar Land Planning and Development Services

Permits Division

www.sugarlandtx.gov/css



Common Home Repairs that require a permit

BUILDING PERMITS ARE REQUIRED FOR

- REPAIRS, REPLACEMENT OF ROOF
- REPAIRS, REPLACEMENT, OR EXPANDING THE DRIVEWAY/SIDEWALKS
- FOUNDATION REPAIRS
- PATIOS/OUTDOOR KITCHENS*
- SIDING REPLACEMENT
- ADDITION TO A HOME*
- INSTALLATION/ALTERATION OF POOLS (INCLUDING REPLACING THE POOL DECK)*
- INSTALLATION/REPLACEMENT OF WHOLE HOME GENERATORS**
- INSTALLATION OF SOLAR PANEL SYSTEMS**
- INSTALLATION OF STORAGE SHEDS
- NEW FENCE (NOT A REPLACEMENT OF AN EXISTING FENCE)

Common Home Repairs that require a permit cont.

PLUMBING PERMITS ARE REQUIRED FOR

- WATER HEATERS
- REPIPE OF INTERIOR/EXTERIOR WATER LINES
- REPAIR/REPLACEMENT OF EXTERIOR SEWER LINES
- INSTALLATION OF WATER SOFTENERS
- REPAIR/INSTALLATION OF IRRIGATION SYSTEMS
- REPAIR/INSTALLATION OF BACKFLOW DEVICE
- REPAIR OF PLUMBING DRAINAGE PIPE (UNDERNEATH HOME)
- REPAIR/REPLACEMENT/ADDITION OF GAS LINES (INTERIOR/EXTERIOR)
- INSTALLATION OF AREA DRAINS
- REPAIR/REPLACEMENT/INSTALLATION OF ANY PART OF THE PLUMBING SYSTEM

MECHANICAL PERMITS ARE REQUIRED FOR

- REPAIR/REPLACEMENT/ADDITION OF HVAC SYSTEMS
- REPLACEMENT/ADDITION OF HVAC DUCT SYSTEMS

ELECTRICAL PERMITS ARE REQUIRED FOR

- REPAIRS/INSTALLATION/RELOCATION OF ELECTRICAL SERVICE (METER CAN, PANELS, AND SUB PANELS)
- INSTALLING/EXTENDING ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS
- REPAIR/INSTALLATION OF UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL PIPE/WIRING

*MAY REQUIRE ELECTRICAL OR PLUMBING PERMITS AS WELL DEPENDING ON WHAT EXACTLY IS BEING DONE
**WILL REQUIRE ELECTRICAL AND/OR PLUMBING PERMITS AS WELL

Things to keep in mind when choosing a contractor

- Ensure their licenses are up-to-date and they are registered with the state:
 - HVAC/Electrical
 - Plumbing
- Ensure they are insured.
- Understand what home repairs will require permits.
- Ask your contractor to add you as a contact when pulling a permit. Also, request a copy of the permit.