

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

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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)

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

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

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.