



City of Battle Ground
Community Development Department
Planning Division (360) 342-5047 / Building Division (360) 342-5046

**RESIDENTIAL ACCESSORY BUILDINGS
DESIGN CRITERIA AND REVIEW PROCESS**

An accessory building as defined in our code means a building, such as a detached garage, detached carport, woodshed, utility building...customarily incidental to and located on the same lot occupied by the principal building. An accessory building is subordinate in area, extent or purpose to the principal building..." (BGM 17.103.070)

ACCESSORY BUILDINGS UP TO 200 SQUARE FEET:

NO PERMIT IS REQUIRED IF THE BUILDING IS:

- 200 Square feet or less in area
- Setback from side and rear property line is 3'
- 10' or less in height
- 5' from wall of any building
- Building Eaves to be a minimum of 4' apart
- Located behind the front elevation of the primary structure
- Overall building coverage limited by the percentage within the applicable zoning district

ACCESSORY BUILDINGS MORE THAN 200 SQUARE FEET:

A BUILDING PERMIT IS REQUIRED IF THE BUILDING IS:

- More than 200 square feet in area
 - May be constructed to the requirements and regulations for a principal building in the zone which it is located with the exception of a 5' rear yard setback
 - Located behind the front elevation of the primary structure
 - 5' from wall of any building
 - Building eaves to be a minimum of 4' apart
 - Overall building coverage limited by the percentage within the applicable zoning district.

If your structure is more than 200 square feet in area, you will need to fill out and submit a Residential Addition/Alteration Permit Application.

Application documents include:

- Application with owner's signature
- Construction drawings or manufacturer's specifications
- Plot Plan

APPLICATION FEES:

Fees vary; contact the Building Department at (360) 342-5046 for estimates.

Special Circumstances:

- Easements – The existence of easements on your property could effect where you place your accessory building.