

## L Quick Reference

### Building

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#### Building – Permit Requirements

Undertaking (Project)	Requires a Permit?	Reference in Regulation/Act
Construction (if the Alberta Building Code applies) where the project cost is \$5,000 or more.	Yes	PR 6(1)(a), 6(3)(a)
Renovation of a building (if the Alberta Building Code applies) where the project cost is \$5,000 or more.	Yes	PR 6(1)(a), 6(3)(a)
Addition to a building (if the Alberta Building Code applies) where the project cost is \$5,000 or more.	Yes	PR 6(1)(a), 6(3)(a)
Alteration, installation, repair, relocation, demolition and removal of a building (if the Alberta Building Code applies) where the project cost is \$5,000 or more.	Yes	PR 6(1)(a), 6(3)(a) SCA 1(1)(g)
Construction, renovation, addition to, alteration, installation, repair, relocation, demolition and removal of a building where the project cost is less than \$5,000, but health or life/structural safety are at risk.	Yes	PR 3(3)(a)
Change in occupancy of a building.	Yes	PR 6(1)(b)
Painting, redecorating, reroofing, or re-siding a building when health or life/structural safety are at risk.	Yes	PR 6(3)(b)
Painting, redecorating, reroofing, or re-siding a building when there is structural change to the building.	Yes	PR 6(3)(b)
Replacing or altering ducting serving a space-heating appliance in a single-family residential dwelling where there is design change to the heating and ventilation system.	Yes	PR 6(3)(c)
Replacing or altering ducting serving a space-heating appliance in a structure other than a single-family residential dwelling.	Yes	PR 6(3)(c)
Relocatable industrial accommodations (work camps) if the camp/structure will remain on one site for more than 28 days.	Yes	PR 6(4)
Construction, renovation, addition to, alteration, installation, repair, relocation, demolition and removal of a building where the project cost is less than \$5,000 and when health or life/structural safety is not at risk.	No	PR 6(3)(a)
Painting, redecorating, reroofing, or re-siding a building when health or life/structural safety is not at risk and when there is no structural change to the building.	No	PR 6(3)(b)
Replacing or altering ducting serving a space-heating appliance	No	PR 6(3)(c)

in a single-family residential dwelling where there is no design change to the heating and ventilation system.		
Relocatable industrial accommodations (work camps) if the camp/structure will remain at the site for less than 28 days.	No	PR 6(4)

### Building – Permit Eligibility

Individual	Restrictions	Reference in Regulation/Act
An owner of a building (including a single-family residential dwelling)	N/A	PR 7(1) SCA 1(1)(v)
An owner's agent	N/A	PR 7(1)
Tradesperson	For permits that are issued for a part of an undertaking under section 6(2) of the Permit Regulation.	PR 7(2)(a)

### Electrical

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Undertaking (Project)	Requires a Permit?	Reference in Regulation/Act
Installing or altering an assembly or any part of an assembly of electrical equipment or components used or intended to be used for the generation, transmission, distribution, control or utilization of electric energy (except for the exceptions in the electrical codes, and taking into account the exceptions below).	Yes	PR 8(1) SCA 1(1)(k)
Installing or altering an extra-low-voltage (30 V max.), Class 2 (100 VA max) electrical circuit used for safety control.	Yes	PR 8(2)(d)(i)
Installing or altering an extra-low-voltage (30 V max.), Class 2 (100 VA max) electrical circuit for use in a location described as hazardous in the Electrical Code.	Yes	PR 8(2)(d)(ii)
Installing or altering an extra-low-voltage (30 V max.), Class 2 (100 VA max) electrical circuit used for electro-medical purposes.	Yes	PR 8(2)(d)(iii)
Installing or altering an extra-low-voltage (30 V max.), Class 2 (100 VA max) electrical circuit used for lighting.	Yes	PR 8(2)(d)(iv)
The replacement of electrical equipment with units of a similar type when the replacement of the equipment will affect a change to the ratings or characteristics of the electrical installation.	Yes	PR 8(2)(e)
Communication systems.	No	PR 8(2)(a)
Electrical systems in mines to which CSA Standard CAN/CSA M421-00(R200) applies.	No	PR 8(2)(b)
Electrical installations related to an elevating device (a passenger elevator, freight elevator, dumbwaiter, escalator,	No	PR 8(2)(c) SCA 1(1)(l)

inclined passenger lift, manlift, passenger ropeway, freight platform lift, moving walk, personnel hoist, lift for persons with disabilities, or amusement ride).		
Extra-low-voltage, Class 2 electrical circuits that are not used for safety control, in locations described as hazardous in the Electrical Code, electro-medical purposes or lighting.	No	PR 8(2)(d)
The replacement of electrical equipment with units of a similar type for maintenance purposes—no change to the ratings or characteristics of the electrical installation.	No	PR 8(2)(e)

### Electrical – Permit Eligibility

Individual	Restrictions	Reference in Regulation/Act
A master electrician	N/A	PR 1(1)(k) PR 9(1)(a)
A restricted master electrician	Only for electrical systems within the scope of the restricted master electrician's certification.	PR.1(1)(q) PR 9(1)(b)
A rural wireman	Only for an electrical undertaking in a residence, farm building or similar structure, in an area of the province prescribed by an administrator, if the service does not exceed 100 amperes and 300 volts single phase.	PR 1(1)(s) PR 9(1)(c)
An owner of a single-family residential dwelling	Only where the electrical system serves that dwelling.	PR 1(1)(u) PR 9(1)(d) SCA 1(1)(v)
An owner of a farm building	Only if the system is single-phase.	PR 1(1)(i) PR 9(1)(e)
An owner, operator or designate of a power line construction company or an electrical utility	Only for the construction of an overhead or underground power system governed by the Alberta Electrical Utility Code.	PR 9(1)(f)
A sign installation technician	Only for electrical systems within the scope of the technician's duties as authorized under the <i>Apprenticeship and Industry Training Act</i> .	PR 1(1)(t) PR 9(1)(g)
An owner or operator	For permits issued under the annual permit section.	PR 9(1)(h) PR 23 SCA 1(1)(v)

**Fire**

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<b>Undertaking (Project)</b>	<b>Requires a Permit?</b>	<b>Reference in Regulation/Act</b>
To install, alter or remove a tank to which the Alberta Fire Code applies.	Yes	PR 10
To install, alter or remove a tank to which the Alberta Fire Code does not apply.	No	PR 10

**Fire – Permit Eligibility**

<b>Individual</b>	<b>Restrictions</b>	<b>Reference in Regulation/Act</b>
Owner of the parcel of land	N/A	PR 11

**Gas**

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<b>Undertaking (Project)</b>	<b>Requires a Permit?</b>	<b>Reference in Regulation/Act</b>
Installing new gas appliances, equipment and piping and when altering or adding to an existing gas system.	Yes	PR 12(1) SCA 1(1)(p)
The replacement of gas appliances and gas equipment in all buildings, except for a single-family residential dwelling.	Yes	PR 12(1), & 12(2) (c)
Replacing or altering ducting serving a dryer, range, water heater or a space-heating appliance in a single-family residential dwelling where there is design change to the venting system and/or gas piping upstream of the appliance shut-off valve.	Yes	PR 12(1), & 12(2) (c)
The installation of a container having a propane capacity exceeding 454 litres water capacity or when containers are manifolded together and the aggregate capacity of the containers exceed 454 litres water capacity.	Yes	PR 12(1), & 12(2) (e)
The installation of a gas system that uses propane or natural gas as an alternate or principal fuel for motive power on a highway motor vehicle.	No	PR 12(2) (a)
The installation of a gas system that uses propane or natural gas to provide conditioned air in a cargo transport unit.	No	PR 12(2) (b)
The replacement of a dryer, range, water heater or space-heating appliance in a single-family residential dwelling where there is design change to the gas piping or venting system.	No	PR 12(2) (c)
The relocation, by a gas utility company, of a gas meter, including any piping changes that may be required for the	No	PR 12(2) (d)

relocation.		
The installation of a container having a propane capacity of not more than 454 litres water capacity or when containers are manifolded together, the aggregate capacity of the containers does not exceed 454 litres water capacity.	No	PR 12(2) (e)
The installation of a propane container and installation serving a pump jack, flare stack or oil tank heater at an oil field well site.	No	PR 12(2) (f)

### Gas – Permit Eligibility

Individual	Restrictions	Reference in Regulation/Act
A gasfitter class “A”	N/A	PR 13(1)(a)
A gasfitter class “B”	May only install appliances that do not exceed 400,000 BTU/h within the scope of the gasfitter’s duties under the <i>Apprenticeship and Industry Training Act</i> .	PR 13(1)(a)
An owner of a single-family residential dwelling	Owner must reside in the dwelling where the gas system is installed.	PR 13(1)(b)
An owner of a farm building	Only where the gas system serves that farm building.	PR 13(1)(c)
Special permission (TS number) to install propane tank sets.	To obtain permits just for propane “Tank Sets Only” and authorization is tied to the individual and the specified LPG company.	PR 13(1)(d)
Special permission (SP number) to install secondary gas lines.	To obtain permits just for “Secondary Gas Lines Only” and authorization is tied to the individual and the specified company.	PR 13(1)(e)
An owner or operator	For permits issued under the annual permit section.	PR 13(1)(f) PR 23 SCA 1(1)(v)

## Plumbing

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Undertaking (Project)	Requires a Permit?	Reference in Regulation/Act
Installing, extending or altering an assembly or any part of an assembly of a plumbing system, which includes the drainage systems, venting systems, water service pipes and water distribution systems in any building.	Yes	PR 14(1) SCA 1(1)(x)
The installation of plumbing fixtures in a building other than a single-family residential dwelling if rough-in piping was completed under another permit.	Yes	PR 14(2)(d)
The installation of water treatment devices in a building other than a single-family residential dwelling.	Yes	PR 14(2)(e)
The installation of a water service that connects a building to a municipal or private water supply.	No	PR 14(2)(a)
The installation of a building sewer or storm sewer outside a building.	No	PR 14(2)(b)
The replacement of a fixture, water heater, faucet, trap or valve if a design change to the piping system is not required.	No	PR 14(2)(c)
The installation of plumbing fixtures in a single-family residential dwelling if rough-in piping was completed under another permit.	No	PR 14(2)(d)
The installation of water treatment devices in single-family residential dwellings.	No	PR 14(2)(e)

### Plumbing – Permit Eligibility

Individual	Restrictions	Reference in Regulation/Act
A plumber	N/A	PR 15(1)(a)
An owner of a single-family residential dwelling	Owner must reside in the dwelling where the plumbing system is installed.	PR 15(1)(b)
An owner of a farm building	Only where the plumbing system serves that farm building.	PR 15(1)(c)
An owner or operator	For permits issued under the annual permit section.	PR 15(1)(d) PR 23 SCA 1(1)(v)

## Private Sewage Disposal Systems (PSDS)

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### PSDS – Permit Requirements

Undertaking (Project)	Requires a Permit?	Reference in Regulation/Act
The installation of an on-site private sewage system serving a	Yes	PR 16(1)

development that generates LESS than 5,500 imperial gallons per day, and which includes all sewage treatment and disposal systems identified in the Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice.		SCA 1(1)(z)
Replacing an existing holding tank, septic tank, or a package sewage treatment plant.	Yes	PR 16(2)
Replacing an on-site effluent treatment and dispersal system with one that modifies the design of the original installation.	Yes	PR 16(2)
The installation of an on-site private sewage system serving a development that generates MORE than 5,500 imperial gallons per day, and which includes all sewage treatment and disposal systems identified in the Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice (these systems are under Alberta Environment's jurisdiction with the responsibility for administering the <i>Safety Codes Act</i> ).	No (Refer individual to AB ENV).	
The replacement of any equipment used in the private sewage disposal system with units of a similar type if the replacement is made for the purpose of maintaining the system and does not modify the design of the system (pumps, filters, alarms, valves, etc.).	No	PR 16(2)

### PSDS – Permit Eligibility

Individual	Restrictions	Reference in Regulation/Act
A private sewage installer	None.	PR 17(1)(a)
A restricted private sewage installer	May only install sewage holding tanks.	PR 17(1)(b)
An owner of a single-family residential dwelling	The owner must reside in the dwelling served by the private sewage disposal system.	PR 17(1)(c)
An owner of a farm building	Only where the private sewage system serves that farm building.	PR 17(1)(d)
Owner and farmer	Permit issuer may restrict type of work an owner and farmer can do.	PR 17(2)