

Rural Municipality of Brock No. 64 – Building Bylaw FAQ

What is the purpose of a building bylaw?

The purpose of a Building Bylaw is to provide for the administration and enforcement of The Construction Codes Act, The Building Codes Regulations, The National Building Code of Canada for Buildings, ministerial interpretations and Saskatchewan Construction Standards Appeal Board orders and building official orders within the local Authority.

What changes have occurred?

As of January 1, 2022, the Construction Codes Act (the CCA) came into force. It repealed and replaced The Uniform Building and Accessibility Standards Act as the legislation, which governs construction standards in Saskatchewan. Municipalities have always been responsible for administering and enforcing the building and energy codes for buildings in their jurisdiction. However, under the old Act, farm residences were included in the definition of farm buildings and therefore exempt from these codes. Under the new Act, farm buildings are still exempt, but *farm residences are no longer considered a farm building*. These standards will apply to all new builds and major structural renovations that occur to any farm residences after January 1, 2022.

What types of building projects are exempt from requiring a permit?

Farm buildings used as followed:

- The use of housing livestock
- The production, storage or processing of primary agricultural and horticultural crops or feeds
- The housing, storage or maintenance of equipment or machinery associated with an agricultural operation

What types of projects require a permit?

- Construction of a new dwelling or major renovations/additions to an existing home (deck, retaining wall, roof extension, sunroom, new foundation, attached garage, etc.)
- RTMS or other types of houses being moved onto a property
- Any type of commercial building

How do you apply for a building permit?

Building permit applications are available at the R.M. office by request.

What is the cost of a building permit?

The building official inspection fees are based on the Value of Construction. There is a base fee for plan reviews and site inspections depending on the type and size of the project. These fees are set by the contracted building inspector.

How long will it take for the building permit to get approved?

It will depend on the complexity of your project. Apply for a building permit as soon as you have all the required information and project start date. Applications can take approximately 2 – 3 weeks to get approved before construction is scheduled to start. Ensuring your applications is complete will help to ensure a quicker approval response.

Rural Municipality of Brock No. 64 - Development Permit FAQ

What is the purpose of a development permit?

The purpose of a development permit is for the Municipality to provide permission for a specific type of development to take place in the Rural Municipality of Brock No. 64 according to the Zoning Bylaw set out by the Municipality.

What types of building projects require a permit?

- Construction of a new dwelling or major renovations/additions to an existing home
- RTMS or other types of houses being moved onto a property
- Any type of commercial building

Above are only a few examples, but if you're unsure of whether your use is permitted/temporary or discretionary, please contact the office for clarification.

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Farm buildings that are used as followed:

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- The housing, storage or maintenance of equipment or machinery associated with an agricultural operation

How do I apply for a development permit?

Development permit applications are available from the R.M. office. The following is some of the information that is required to fill in the application.

- Name and address of the applicant and registered landowner
- Legal land description, project description and type of project
- Proposed development with a site sketch including dimensions and land features

How long will it take for the development permit to get approved?

Apply for a development permit as soon as you have all the required information and you know when the project will begin. Applications can take approximately 2 – 3 weeks to get approved before construction is scheduled to start.

For more information, please contact the Municipal Office:

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