

What's Your Summer Project This Year?

- BUILDING A GARAGE OR SHED?
- BUILDING A DECK?
- INSTALLING A POOL OR HOT TUB?
- BUILDING A FENCE?
- INSTALLING A DRIVEWAY?
- LANDSCAPING YOUR YARD?
- BUILDING A RETAINING WALL?

Many of these summer projects require permits to be issued by the City of Cold Lake. Please contact us before you start work to ensure you know the applicable regulations and have the proper permits and approvals.

Permits can take up to six (6) weeks for approval, so please keep this timeline in mind and apply early to ensure you have your permits before you are ready to start work.

Before you dig or drill on your property, be sure to contact Alberta One Call (1-800-242-3447) and the City of Cold Lake Public Works Department (780-594-4496) to locate underground utility lines.

For More Information Please Contact the Planning and Development Department at City Hall, 5513 48 Avenue
780-594-4494
planning@coldlake.com

Know What Permits you Need:

▶ Garages and Sheds

- ▶ Garages and Sheds normally require a Development Permit and Building Permit
- ▶ Sheds less than 10m² and under 2.40m in height do not require a permit but must be kept a minimum of 1.0m from side and rear property lines
- ▶ Garages and Sheds cannot be built over utility easements/rights-of-way

▶ Decks

- ▶ Decks over 0.6 m above grade require a Development Permit and a Building Permit

▶ Pools and Hot Tubs

- ▶ Pools and Hot Tubs require a building permit. Permanent pools will also require a Development Permit
- ▶ Pools must be protected by a fence and gate or safety cover as required by the Alberta Building Code
- ▶ Pools and hot tubs cannot be located in a front yard and must be set back a minimum 1.5 m from side and rear property lines

▶ Fences

- ▶ Fences normally do not require a permit provided they are less than 0.9 m in height in a front yard and less than 1.8 m in height in a rear yard
- ▶ Fences cannot encroach onto neighbouring properties so you will need to have a surveyor locate your property boundaries before you build

▶ Driveways

- ▶ Driveways do not normally require a permit but there are regulations regarding the size and placement of driveways. Please consult the Land Use Bylaw at www.coldlake.com or contact us for more information

▶ Landscaping

- ▶ If your landscaping involves any changes to the grading or drainage of your property a Development Permit is required

▶ Retaining Walls

- ▶ Retaining Walls greater than 0.6 m above grade require a Development Permit and a Building Permit
- ▶ Retaining walls taller than 1.2 m must be designed by an engineer. Walls lower than 1.2 m may need to be designed by an engineer if they affect the integrity of other buildings on the property