



**CITY OF  
HERMOSA BEACH**

Community Development  
Building & Safety Division

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**WHEN IS A PERMIT REQUIRED**

The City of Hermosa Beach has adopted the 2022 California Building Code (Part 2 of Title 24), per this code most residential, commercial, and industrial construction work on private property, whether new, added, remodeled, demolished, abated, or altered requires a permit and in many cases will require building plans. Permits must be obtained prior to the commencement of any work. Where work for which a permit is required is started without obtaining permits, the permit fee may be quadrupled. The following are examples of work that requires permits:

- Demolition, including:
  - Work to abate hazardous materials, such as: asbestos, mold, etc.
- The construction of, installation, demolition/removal, renovation, or alteration of:
  - Any building or structures, including, garages and accessory buildings over 120 sq. ft.
  - Decks, roof decks, and/or patio covers
  - Fireplaces, firepits, and permanent bar-b-ques
  - Swimming pools and spas, including manufactured and prefabricated types
  - Retaining walls over 4 ft. (a structure built to support retained earth or other material)
  - Concrete, Masonry, Brick or other similar material walls exceeding 42" in height
  - Fences over 42" tall (HBMC 17.46.130)
- Window replacements
- Kitchen & Bath renovations or alteration
- Re-Roof
- Signage
- Any installation, addition to, or alteration to a mechanical, electrical, or plumbing system (including sump pumps, and grease traps/interceptors)
- Installation or replacement of appliances (Water Heater, Furnace, Air Conditioner, etc.)

A Building and Safety Permit may not be required for these items, but Planning review and approval may be required:

- Accessory buildings under 120 sq. ft.
- Retaining walls under 4 ft.
- Fencing, Concrete, Masonry, Brick or other similar material walls or fences less than 42" in height

**This is not an all-inclusive list, please contact the following agencies for more information.**

AGENCY	PHONE NUMBER	WEBSITE
Hermosa Beach Building & Safety	310-318-0235	<a href="https://www.hermosabeach.gov/our-government/community-development/building-division">https://www.hermosabeach.gov/our-government/community-development/building-division</a>
Hermosa Beach Planning	310-318-0242	<a href="https://www.hermosabeach.gov/our-government/community-development/planning-division">https://www.hermosabeach.gov/our-government/community-development/planning-division</a>
Hermosa Beach Public Works	310-318-0214	<a href="https://www.hermosabeach.gov/our-government/public-works">https://www.hermosabeach.gov/our-government/public-works</a>
Los Angeles County Fire	310-830-9596	<a href="https://fire.lacounty.gov/fire-prevention/">https://fire.lacounty.gov/fire-prevention/</a>
Los Angeles County Health	310-965-8929	<a href="http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/eh/about/plan-check-program.htm">http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/eh/about/plan-check-program.htm</a>
Coastal Commission	562-590-5071	<a href="https://www.coastal.ca.gov/cdp/cdp-forms.html">https://www.coastal.ca.gov/cdp/cdp-forms.html</a>
South Coast AQMD	909-396-2000	<a href="https://www.aqmd.gov/nav/contact">https://www.aqmd.gov/nav/contact</a>

