

The *Ontario Building Code Act* requires homeowners to obtain a building permit prior to construction to ensure construction meets the Building Code standards and other municipal requirements including zoning. By applying for a building permit, you ensure that your project meets minimum structural, fire and health and safety standards.

A building permit is required for the following:

- Construction of a new structure over 15 square meters (161 sq. ft.) in area
- Addition/renovation to any structure
- Installation or alteration of a plumbing system
- Installation or alteration of a heating/ventilation system
- Swimming pools
- Retaining walls
- Signs
- Special structures i.e. towers, roof mounted solar installations

In addition to a building permit, your project may also be required to comply with other approvals such as the Electrical Safety Authority, New Home Warranty Program, Heritage, Site Plan Control, Health Unit for Septic System, Conservation Authority, Planning, Lot Grading and Drainage.

Permit Submission

Building permit application forms are available at the Municipal Office and on the Municipal website <https://www.renfrew.ca/building-permit-info.cfm> (Download Building Permit Application). Your application must be submitted with two (2) set of plans and specifications. **See attached list of required drawings.**

Incomplete applications or drawings will not be accepted. All plans must be drawn to scale and accurate for detail.

Inspections

An inspection is required prior to any part of the construction being covered. (Form 1)

All Permits Require Final Inspections Prior to the Expiry Date

Permission to occupy an unfinished building may be granted provided the Chief Building Official has determined that it is in conformance with Section Division 2 Part 1 of the Ontario Building Code.

Please note that a signed building application authorizes the building inspectors of the Town of Renfrew to enter a subject property and any buildings thereon for the purposes of inspection (ref. Section 12.1 of the *Ontario Building Code Act*).

Required Drawings

New House Plans

- Application Form completed (by owner or applicant with Letter of Authorization)
- Schedule 1 completed by Qualified Designers (Architects & Engineers are exempt)
- Commitment to General Reviews by Architect and Engineers (where required)
- 2 copies of the Site Plan (legal survey – planning approved)
- 2 copies: Grading & Draining Plan (may be on Site Plan)
- 2 full sets of: Foundations, Floor plan, Elevations, Sections, Details, Schedules, etc.
- 2 copies: Floor Joist layout (for engineered floor joist systems)
- 2 copies: Roof Truss layout (for engineered roof truss systems)
- 2 copies of Professional Engineer Drawings or Review Letter (where required)
- SB-12 Energy Efficiency Design Summary Sheet
- Heat Loss/Gain Calculations
- Mechanical Ventilation Design Summary
- Duct design and layout

Installation of a Fuel Burning Appliance:

- Include a detailed site plan and a copy of the manufacturer's installation instruction

Addition to a House:

- All the requirements noted above for a house, as well as a full and complete site plan (plot plan)
- Grading Plan
- Foundation/floor plans and cross-sections to include adjacent structure
- Elevation views of all affected building sides

Detached Garages and Sheds:

- Full and complete site plan for the entire lot
- Foundation/footing and pier plan
- Floor plan
- Cross-section(s)
- Elevation views

Decks & Pools

- Full and complete site plan for the entire lot
- Foundation/footing and pier plan
- Deck framing plan
- Guard & handrail details
- Cross-section(s)

All Plans Must Include:

(Ontario Building Code Div. C,3.2.4.7(1)(e))

The registered person (designer) who reviews and takes responsibility for design activities provided to the public by the registered person shall include the following information on any document submitted to a chief building official or registered code agency in the circumstances set out in subsection 15.11(5) of the Act:

Application for a Permit to Construct or Demolish

This form is authorized under subsection 8(1.1) of the *Building Code Act, 1992*

For use by Principal Authority				
Application number:		Permit number (if different):		
Date received:		Roll number:		
Application submitted to: _____ (Name of municipality, upper-tier municipality, board of health or conservation authority)				
A. Project information				
Building number, street name			Unit number	Lot/con.
Municipality	Postal code	Plan number/other description		
Project value est. \$		Area of work (m ²)		
B. Purpose of application				
New construction	Addition to an existing building	Alteration/repair	Demolition	Conditional Permit
Proposed use of building		Current use of building		
Description of proposed work				
C. Applicant				
		Applicant is: Owner or Authorized agent of owner		
Last name	First name	Corporation or partnership		
Street address			Unit number	Lot/con.
Municipality	Postal code	Province	E-mail	
Telephone number	Fax		Cell number	
D. Owner (if different from applicant)				
Last name	First name	Corporation or partnership		
Street address			Unit number	Lot/con.
Municipality	Postal code	Province	E-mail	
Telephone number	Fax		Cell number	

E. Builder (if known)				
Last name		First name	Corporation or partnership (if applicable)	
Street address			Unit number	Lot/con.
Municipality		Postal code	Province	E-mail
Telephone number		Fax		Cell number
F. New home construction licensing requirement				
i. Is the proposed construction for a new home as defined in the <i>New Home Construction Licensing Act, 2017</i> ? If no, go to section G.			Yes	No
ii. Is a licence required under the <i>New Home Construction Licensing Act, 2017</i> ?			Yes	No
iii. If yes to (ii) provide licence number(s): _____				
G. Required Schedules				
i) Attach Schedule 1 for each individual who reviews and takes responsibility for design activities.				
ii) Attach Schedule 2 where application is to construct on-site, install or repair a sewage system.				
H. Completeness and compliance with applicable law				
i) This application meets all the requirements of clauses 1.3.1.3 (5) (a) to (d) of Division C of the Building Code (the application is made in the correct form and by the owner or authorized agent, all applicable fields have been completed on the application and required schedules, and all required schedules are submitted). Payment has been made of all fees that are required, under the applicable by-law, resolution or regulation made under clause 7(1)(c) of the <i>Building Code Act, 1992</i> , to be paid when the application is made.			Yes	No
ii) This application is accompanied by the plans and specifications prescribed by the applicable by-law, resolution or regulation made under clause 7(1)(b) of the <i>Building Code Act, 1992</i> .			Yes	No
iii) This application is accompanied by the information and documents prescribed by the applicable by-law, resolution or regulation made under clause 7(1)(b) of the <i>Building Code Act, 1992</i> which enable the chief building official to determine whether the proposed building, construction or demolition will contravene any applicable law.			Yes	No
iv) The proposed building, construction or demolition will not contravene any applicable law.			Yes	No
I. Declaration of applicant				
I _____ declare that: (print name)				
1. The information contained in this application, attached schedules, attached plans and specifications, and other attached documentation is true to the best of my knowledge.				
2. If the owner is a corporation or partnership, I have the authority to bind the corporation or partnership.				
_____		_____		
Date		Signature of applicant		

Personal information contained in this form and schedules is collected under the authority of subsection 8(1.1) of the *Building Code Act, 1992*, and will be used in the administration and enforcement of the *Building Code Act, 1992*. Questions about the collection of personal information may be addressed to: a) the Chief Building Official of the municipality or upper-tier municipality to which this application is being made, or, b) the inspector having the powers and duties of a chief building official in relation to sewage systems or plumbing for an upper-tier municipality, board of health or conservation authority to whom this application is made, or, c) Director, Building and Development Branch, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing 777 Bay St., 12th Floor. Toronto, ON M7A 2J3 (416) 585-6666.

Schedule 1: Designer Information

Use one form for each individual who reviews and takes responsibility for design activities with respect to the project.

A. Project Information			
Building number, street name	Unit no.	Lot/con.	
Municipality	Postal code	Plan number/ other description	
B. Individual who reviews and takes responsibility for design activities			
Name	Firm		
Street address	Unit no.	Lot/con.	
Municipality	Postal code	Province	E-mail
Telephone number	Fax number		Cell number
C. Design activities undertaken by individual identified in Section B. [Building Code Table 3.5.2.1. of Division C]			
House	HVAC – House	Building Structural	
Small Buildings	Building Services	Plumbing – House	
Large Buildings	Detection, Lighting and Power	Plumbing – All Buildings	
Complex Buildings	Fire Protection	On-site Sewage Systems	
Description of designer's work			
D. Declaration of Designer			
<p>I _____ declare that (choose one as appropriate):</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(print name)</p> <p>I review and take responsibility for the design work on behalf of a firm registered under subsection 3.2.4. of Division C, of the Building Code. I am qualified, and the firm is registered, in the appropriate classes/categories.</p> <p>Individual BCIN: _____</p> <p>Firm BCIN: _____</p> <p>I review and take responsibility for the design and am qualified in the appropriate category as an “other designer” under subsection 3.2.5. of Division C, of the Building Code.</p> <p>Individual BCIN: _____</p> <p>Basis for exemption from registration: _____</p> <p>The design work is exempt from the registration and qualification requirements of the Building Code.</p> <p>Basis for exemption from registration and qualification: _____</p> <p>I certify that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The information contained in this schedule is true to the best of my knowledge. 2. I have submitted this application with the knowledge and consent of the firm. <p style="text-align: center;"> _____ Date Signature of Designer </p>			

NOTE:

1. For the purposes of this form, “individual” means the “person” referred to in Clause 3.2.4.7(1) (c). of Division C, Article 3.2.5.1. of Division C, and all other persons who are exempt from qualification under Subsections 3.2.4. and 3.2.5. of Division C.
2. Schedule 1 is not required to be completed by a holder of a license, temporary license, or a certificate of practice, issued by the Ontario Association of Architects. Schedule 1 is also not required to be completed by a holder of a license to practise, a limited license to practise, or a certificate of authorization, issued by the Professional Engineers Ontario.

Schedule 2: Sewage System Installer Information

A. Project Information			
Building number, street name		Unit number	Lot/con.
Municipality	Postal code	Plan number/ other description	
B. Sewage system installer			
Is the installer of the sewage system engaged in the business of constructing on-site, installing, repairing, servicing, cleaning or emptying sewage systems, in accordance with Building Code Article 3.3.1.1, Division C?			
Yes (Continue to Section C)		No (Continue to Section E)	
		Installer unknown at time of application (Continue to Section E)	
C. Registered installer information (where answer to B is "Yes")			
Name		BCIN	
Street address		Unit number	Lot/con.
Municipality	Postal code	Province	E-mail
Telephone number	Fax	Cell number	
D. Qualified supervisor information (where answer to section B is "Yes")			
Name of qualified supervisor(s)		Building Code Identification Number (BCIN)	
E. Declaration of Applicant:			
<p>I _____ declare that:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(print name)</p> <p>I am the applicant for the permit to construct the sewage system. If the installer is unknown at time of application, I shall submit a new Schedule 2 prior to construction when the installer is known;</p> <p><u>OR</u></p> <p>I am the holder of the permit to construct the sewage system, and am submitting a new Schedule 2, now that the installer is known.</p> <p>I certify that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The information contained in this schedule is true to the best of my knowledge. 2. If the owner is a corporation or partnership, I have the authority to bind the corporation or partnership. <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> Date Signature of applicant </p>			