

City of Rio Vista
Building Department
One Main Street
Rio Vista, CA 94571



Will your next project require a Building Permit?

For more information or if you have any questions please call the Building Department at (707)-374-2205.

Item to be Installed	Permit if New?	Permit if Replacement?
Air Conditioning (any type)	Yes	Yes
Carport or Garage	Yes	Yes
Cooktop/Oven/Range, etc.	Yes	Only if type changed (gas to electric; electric to gas) or rating increased
Decks over 30" high	Yes	Yes
Dishwasher	Yes	Only if air gap isn't existing
Electric Service Panel or Sub-panel	Yes	Yes
Exhaust Fans: Bathroom, Kitchen, Laundry	Yes	Only if type changed or rating increased
Extension of heating duct system	Yes	Yes
Fence (or screening) over 6' high	Yes	Yes
Fireplace Insert	Yes	Yes
Fireplace/Chimney	Yes	Yes
Garage Conversions	Yes	Yes
Garage Door Opener	Only if adding overhead outlet	No
Garbage Disposal Unit	Yes	Only if plumbing or rating is changed

Gas Piping (new and extensions)	Yes	Yes
Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter	Yes	No
Heating Unit (any type including)	Yes	Yes
Wood/Pellet Stove	Yes	Yes
Paddle Fans	Yes	Yes
Partition Wall/Firewall	Yes	Yes
Patio Cover/Trellis	Yes	Yes
Patio Enclosure	Yes	Yes
Plumbing Fixtures; bathtub, bidet, laundry tray, lavatory, shower, sink, toilet	Yes	Yes
Pool (above ground and over 5,000 g.)	Yes	Yes
Pool (in ground)	Yes	Yes
Retaining walls over 4' Measuring from bottom of footing to top of wall	Yes	Yes
Roof/Re-roof	Yes	Yes
Room Addition & Remodels	Yes	Yes
Sewer Line	Yes	Yes
Sheds 120' (setback 3' from fence or side yard)	No	No
Sheds 121' or larger (setback 3' from fence or side yard)	Yes	Yes
Shower Enclosure	Yes	Yes
Skylight	Yes	Yes
Sliding Glass Door (new, previous window)	Yes	Yes
Solar Equipment	Yes	Yes

Spa/Hot Tub	Yes	Yes
Stairway	Yes	Yes
Standpipe (washing machine or softener)	Yes	Yes
Storage Loft/Platform	Yes	Yes
Water Heater	Yes	Yes
Water piping (new and extensions)	Yes	Yes
Water softener	Yes	Yes
Whole House/Attic Fans	Yes	Yes
Window	Yes	Only if framing or siding is changed
Wiring Devices (switch, outlet, etc.)	Yes	Only if original wire is aluminum
Wiring, new or extended 120V or 240V	Yes	Yes

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Building Inspection Hours of Operation

Inspector Ed Russell: erussell@ci.rio-vista.ca.us

Monday - 9 am to 4 pm

Tuesday - 9 am to 12 pm

Wednesday - no inspections performed

Thursday - 9 am to 4 pm

Closed on Fridays

Building Official Office Hours

Building Official: Steve Lamb buildingmanager@ci.rio-vista.ca.us

Monday thru Friday 1pm to 2pm

To schedule an inspection please call 24 hrs in advance. Appointments are scheduled on an AM or PM basis:

AM appointments are scheduled as follows: the inspector will arrive between the hours of 9am to 12pm.

PM appointments are scheduled as follows: the inspector will arrive between the hours of 1 pm to 4 pm.