

## **NOTICE**

The City of Lake Forest Building Division does not require a building permit for the following work as specified in the Lake Forest Municipal Code.

1. One-story detached accessory buildings used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses, and similar uses, provided the projected roof area does not exceed 120 square feet and is at least 5 feet from the property line and not more than 8' high (from FF to Top of DBL TOP PL)
2. Fences over 3.5 feet high within the front setback area. Fences not over 5'-11.5" in side and rear yards.  
Exception: Walls and fences less than 6 feet in height which are required as a condition of project approval are required to have permits.
3. Retaining walls which are not over 4'-0" in height measured from the bottom of the footing to the top of the wall unless supporting a surcharge or impounding Class I, II, or III-A liquids. (Not in sloped area of 2:1 or greater)
4. Platforms and walks which are not more than 30 inches above grade.
5. Window awnings supported by an exterior wall of Group R, Division 3, and Group M Occupancies when projecting not more than 54 inches and not less than 3 feet from a property line.
6. Prefabricated swimming pools accessory to a Group R, Division 3 Occupancy in which the pool walls are entirely above the adjacent grade and if the capacity does not exceed 5,000 gallons and the depth is no more than 18". The swimming pool fence enclosure requirements of the City of Lake Forest shall still apply.

However, the requirements of the Homeowner's Association and the City's Community Development Department still apply and their approvals are required prior to the start of any work.

Further information on building permits may be obtained from the Building Division.