



CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

Planning Department

Building Safety

STORAGE / ACCESSORY BUILDINGS

Plans & Permit Information

Submit two (2) sets of plans plus 1 extra site plan and water conservation sheet. Plans shall be drawn to scale upon substantial paper and shall be of sufficient clarity to indicate the nature and extent of the work proposed and show in detail that it will conform to the provisions of the technical Codes and all relevant laws, ordinances, rules and regulations.

When plan review is complete the designee will be notified by telephone. Please arrange to have a contact person, telephone and extension number listed on the application. Comments are available on line at <http://www.cabq.gov/planning/our-department/building-safety> Quick Links [Plan Review](#) [Comments](#) or call 505-924-3320.

The building permit will be issued when approved by each division. The permit will only be issued to a homeowner or general contractor (GB-2 or GB-98) licensed in the State of New Mexico. **If the permit is not issued within six (6) months from the date of submittal, the application will expire.**

ADOPTED CODES:

- 2015 International Residential Code
- 2012 Uniform Plumbing Code
- 2012 Uniform Mechanical Code
- 2014 National Electrical Code
- 2009 International Energy Conservation Code

The plans shall include the following data:

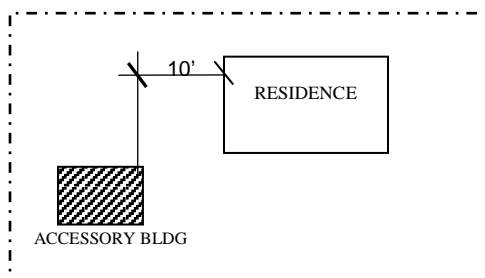
IRC (505) 924-3905

Design Criteria

- Ground snow load – 20 psf
- Frost line depth – 16”
- Wind speed – 115 mph (3 second gust)
- Seismic Design Category – C

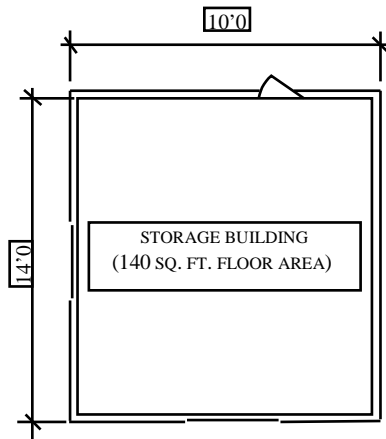
The City of Albuquerque Uniform Administrative Code states that a building permit will not be required for one-story detached accessory buildings used as tool storage sheds, playhouses and similar uses, provided the building does not exceed 120 square feet.

Zoning Requirements



- 10’0” ten foot separation between an accessory building and any building containing living quarters
- 5’0” five foot separation between accessory buildings without living quarters
- No side or rear setback for accessory building on interior lots

Storage Buildings over 120 Sq. Ft.



Site Plan

- Location of building on property
- Show distance from property line and existing structures

Floor Plan

- Building dimensions
- Electrical
- Door and window size and locations by dimension

Exterior Bearing Wall Section

- Include roof and wall sheathing
- Specify all materials and construction
- Walls less than 5 ft. to property line shall be one-hour fire resistive construction

Roof Frame Plan

- Type, size and spacing of trusses, joist, girders, rafters, beams, posts and all connectors
- Size and locations of headers at doors and windows

Foundation or Floor Frame Plan

- Foundation layout and dimensions including all interior and exterior footings, piers and stem walls
- Footing sections location, width, depth, below and above grade include size and spacing of steel reinforcement

Elevation Plan

- Elevations of all walls with door or window openings to include overall height.

DISCLAIMER: Handouts should not be used as substitutes for codes and regulations. As an applicant, you are responsible for compliance with all code and rule requirements, whether or not they are described in a handout. The required drawings will depend upon the size, nature and complexity of the project.