BUILDING FAQ's

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Q: What structures are exempt from needing a building permit?

A: Tool sheds, playhouses, or other similar structures that are 200 square feet or less

Q: Do I need a building permit for a greenhouse?

A: A building permit is required including an engineered foundation if over **200** square feet

Q: Do I need a permit to build an agricultural building?

A: You may apply for an "Agricultural Exemption" if you meet certain criteria:

- 35 acres or more
- Property cannot be located in a subdivision or PUD.
- Must currently have Agriculture Tax Status with the Ouray County Assessor

Q: Do I need a permit to build a camping cabin?

A: Yes

Q: Do I need a building permit to build a yurt?

A: It depends:

- You do not need a permit if the yurt is placed directly on the ground, and no foundation is required.
- You do not need a permit for a yurt that is placed on a platform, if:
 - o There is no excavation required, <u>and</u>
 - The platform is placed directly on the ground, or supported solely by jacks and/or concrete bases (ex. pocket blocks) that rest directly on the ground (ie. no subgrade footings).
- You do need a permit if the deck requires a poured foundation of any kind & the foundation design must be stamped by an engineer licensed in the State of Colorado. (*Please note that special regulations apply to structures that are to be built on patented mining claims above 9,480' in elevation*)

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