



Town of Olds

Building a Residential FENCE, DECK, GARAGE OR SHED

Before you lift a hammer, check www.olds.ca/develop.html for information on:

- Building Decks and Fences
- Building a Garage or Shed
- Development Permit Applications
- Building Permit Applications
- Land Use Bylaw Requirements

Locates must be obtained PRIOR to any excavation or digging:

- **ALBERTA ONE CALL** at 1 (800) 242-3447 or www.alberta1call.com
- **DigShaw** at 1 (866) 344-7429 or www.digshaw.ca

A **FENCE** does not require a Development Permit if it meets the following requirements:

- Height less than 1.0 m (3.28 ft) for FRONT yards
- Height less than 2.0 m (6.56 ft) for SIDE and REAR yards
- Complies with all applicable provisions of Schedule B of the Land Use Bylaw 01-23

If your fence will be located near an intersection of a road, or road and railway, a "sight triangle" must be maintained. Please refer to Land Use Bylaw 01-23 at www.olds.ca/planning/lub.html for sight triangle information. The fence shall be less than 0.5 m (1.64 ft) in height above the average elevation of the roadway or rails in order that vehicle operators see approaching traffic in time to avoid collision.

A **DECK** requires a Development Permit & Building Permit if it is more than 0.61 m (2.0 ft) above grade. The Building Inspector requires information requested in the Uncovered Deck Detail form.

A detached **GARAGE** requires a Development Permit and Building Permit. The Accessory Building form will also need to be filled out. The garage must:

- not be located in the front yard
- be located a minimum of 1.0 meter (3.28 ft) from a SIDE property line
- be located between 1.0 m and 2.0 m (3.28 ft to 6.56 ft) or 6.0 m (19.7 ft) or more from the REAR property line
- not exceed 4.5 m (14.76 ft) in height
- not exceed 70 m² (754 ft²) in area in R1 and R2 districts or 143 m² (1539 ft²) in area in R5 districts
- may require a hard surfaced access/driveway

A **GARDEN SHED** or any other **ACCESSORY BUILDING** requires a Development Permit and a Building Permit if it is larger than 10 m² (107.6 ft²) and must:

- not be located in the front yard
- be located a minimum of 1.0 m (3.28 ft) from SIDE and REAR property lines
- not exceed 4.5 m (14.76 ft) in height