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RE-ROOFING PERMIT



Purpose

Re-roof permits are required to ensure that the installation of roofing materials, including plywood decking, nailing, flashing, etc. are properly installed for buildings according to provisions of:

- Residential Buildings - Chapter 9: Roof Assemblies (2013 California Residential Code)
- Non-residential Building - Chapter 15: Roof Assemblies and Rooftop Structures (2013 California Building Code)

This handout outlines the necessary information required to obtain a building permit and shows different allowable construction methods to successfully complete the project.

Permits Required

A Re-Roof Permit is required for the following type (s) of work:

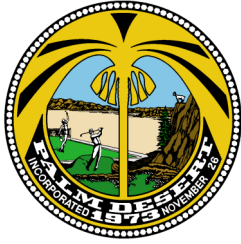
1. Material Replacement or Roof Tile Reset (Underlayment Only).
2. Repairs: Repairs may include similar or new roofing materials not to exceed 25% of roof area.
3. Replacing or changing roofing material underneath a photovoltaic or solar water heating system.

Required Inspections

1. New or Existing Roof Sheathing Inspection

Required after the existing roof is torn off completely; new decking, nails and staples are installed according to nationally recognized standards, and roof assembly installation. Inspection is required prior to concealing the roof with felt, paper, roofing or any other material concealment.

2. Smoke alarm and carbon monoxide alarm required on residential buildings as per CRC §R314.3.1 & §R315.2 prior to or at final inspection.
3. Final Inspection: Schedule a Final Inspection after the project is complete. Required Spark Arrestor for fireplaces must be installed as well as all rooftop equipment.



Re-Roofing Permits

Residential and Non-residential Applications

USEFUL INFORMATION

- Overlay of Asphalt Shingle Roofs

California Building Code §1510.1 and Residential Code §R907.1 General. Materials and methods of application used for recovering or replacing an existing roof covering shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 15.

Exception: Re-roofing shall not be required to meet the minimum design slope requirement of one-quarter unit vertical in 12 unit's horizontal (2-percent slope) in CBC Section 1507 / CRC R905 for roofs that provide positive roof drainage.

- Structural and Construction Loads

California Building Code §1510.2 and Residential Code §R907.2 Structural roof components shall be capable of supporting the roof-covering system and the material and equipment loads that will be encountered during installation of the system.

- Re-covering versus replacement

California Building Code §1510.3 and Residential Code §R907.3 require new roof coverings shall not be installed without first removing all existing layers of roof covering where any of the following conditions occur:

1. Where the existing roof or roof covering is water soaked or has deteriorated to the point that the existing roof or roof covering is not adequate as a base for additional roofing.
2. Where the existing roof covering is wood shake, slate, clay, cement or asbestos-cement tile.
3. Where the existing roof has two or more applications of any type of roof covering.

Inspection Phone Line

To make an inspection request, please call (760) 776-6420 between 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Same day inspections are not provided. Any inspection emailed to the Department after 4PM will not be accepted.

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Residential Re-Roof Permit: Approx. \$266

Commercial or Nonresidential Re-Roof Permit: Approx. \$430

Application Forms

An application for a building permit is available at the Building Department or on the City of Palm Desert website www.cityofpalmdesert.org