

What Is The Difference Between a Development Permit and a Building Permit?

Development Permit - This is a permit required under the R.M.'s Zoning Bylaw. A development permit outlines what uses are allowed on a site and how those uses fit within the requirements of zoning regulations. Acquiring a development permit is the first step for all projects that alter or affect your property.

Building Permit - This is a permit required under the R.M.'s Building Bylaw and mandated by the National Building Code of Canada. A building permit ensures that all new buildings, alterations to existing buildings, changes to building use, and building demolitions meet national safety standards.

Development Permit

Many types of development will require a development permit. Farm buildings are exempt (but need to meet setback requirements). Any additions or new construction of residences or commercial buildings, as well as home based businesses, will require a permit.