

Who may prepare plans?

State law regulating the architectural and engineering professions describes who may prepare plans for buildings. Any person may prepare plans for new buildings or additions to buildings as follows:

1. Single Family Dwellings of wood frame construction not more than two stories
2. Multifamily Dwellings of wood frame construction not more than two stores; no more than four dwelling units on any one lot.
3. Garages and other appurtenant structures of wood frame construction.
4. Interior nonstructural alterations which do not affect the structural system or safety of the building.
5. Agricultural and ranch building of wood frame construction.
6. Structure 20' or more in length or width may require engineering and structural calculations.

However, any of the above buildings which are not of conventional wood frame construction or have unusual design features, or where there is insufficient lateral bracing shall be designed by a registered civil engineer or licensed architect.

Applications expire in 6 months but may be extended for an additional 6-month period based on justifiable cause.