

OWNER-BUILDER PERMIT APPLICATION

Date: _____

PROJECT # _____

PROPERTY ADDRESS _____

Applicant: _____ Phone No. _____

Applicant's Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Property Owner: _____ Phone No. _____

Property Owner's Address: _____

Owner Verified

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: _____

Does Residence have Fire Sprinklers? Yes No

VALUATIONS:

Building: \$ _____

Electrical: \$ _____

Fire: \$ _____

Mechanical: \$ _____

Plumbing: \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

Service Upgrades

Service currently Overhead _____ or Underground _____?
Has P.G & E. been contacted? _____

I certify that I have read this application and state that the information given is true and correct. I agree to comply to all City ordinances and State laws relating to this construction, remodel or repair, and I make this statement under penalty of law.

Property Owner/Agent's Signature

Plan Check Fee \$ _____

Permit Fee \$ _____



CITY OF LOS ALTOS, Community Development Department
Building Division

WORKERS' COMPENSATION DECLARATION

WARNING: FAILURE TO SECURE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE IS UNLAWFUL, AND SHALL SUBJECT AN EMPLOYER TO CRIMINAL PENALTIES AND CIVIL FINES UP TO ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000), IN ADDITION TO THE COST OF COMPENSATION, DAMAGES AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 3706 OF THE LABOR CODE, INTEREST, AND ATTORNEY'S FEES.

I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury one of the following declarations:

_____ I have and will maintain a certificate of consent to self-insure for workers' compensation, issued by the Director of Industrial Relations as provided for by Section 3700 of the Labor Code, for the performance of the work for which this permit is issued. Policy No. _____

_____ I have and will maintain workers' compensation insurance, as required by Section 3700 of the Labor Code, for the performance of the work for which this permit is issued. My workers' compensation insurance carrier and policy number are:

Carrier _____
Policy Number _____ Expires _____
Name of Agent _____ Phone # _____

_____ I certify that, in the performance of the work for which this permit is issued, I shall not employ any person in any manner so as to become subject to the workers' compensation laws of California, and agree that, if I should become subject to the workers' compensation provisions of Section 3700 of the Labor Code, I shall forthwith comply with those provisions.

_____ Date _____
Signature of Applicant

DECLARATION REGARDING

CONSTRUCTION LENDING AGENCY

I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury that there is a construction lending agency for the performance of the work for which this permit is issued (Section 3097, Civil Code).

Lender's Name _____
Lender's Address _____

OWNER-BUILDER APPLICANT

I certify to each of the following:

- I am the property owner or authorized to act on the property owner's behalf.
- I have read this application and the information I have provided is correct.
- I agree to comply with all applicable city and county ordinances and state laws relating to building construction.
- I authorize representatives of this city or county to enter the above-identified property for inspection purposes.

_____ Date _____
Signature of Property Owner or Authorized Agent

AUTHORIZATION OF AGENT

TO ACT ON PROPERTY OWNER'S BEHALF

Excluding the Notice to Property Owner, the execution of which I understand is my personal responsibility, I hereby authorize the following person(s) to act as my agent(s) to apply for, sign, and file the documents necessary to obtain an Owner-Builder Permit for my property.

_____ Scope of Construction Project (or Description of Work)

_____ Project Location or Address

_____ Name of Authorized Agent

_____ Address of Authorized Agent

_____ Phone Number of Authorized Agent

I declare under penalty of perjury that I am the property owner for the address listed above and I personally filled out the above information and certify its accuracy.

_____ Date: _____
Property Owner's Signature

Note: A copy of the owner's driver's license OR form notarization is required to be presented when the permit is issued to verify the property owner's signature.

OWNER-BUILDER DECLARATION

I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury that I am exempt from the Contractors' State License Law for the reason(s) indicated below by the checkmark(s) I have placed next to the applicable item(s) (Section 7031.5, Business and Professions Code: Any city or county that requires a permit to construct, alter, improve, demolish, or repair any structure, prior to its issuance, also requires the applicant for the permit to file a signed statement that he or she is licensed pursuant to the provisions of the Contractors' State License Law (Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 7000) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code) or that he or she is exempt from licensure and the basis for the alleged exemption. Any violation of Section 7031.5 by any applicant for a permit subjects the applicant to a civil penalty of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500).):

I, as owner of the property, or my employees with wages as their sole compensation, will do all of or portions of the work, and the structure is not intended or offered for sale (Section 7044, Business and Professions Code: The Contractors' State License Law does not apply to an owner of property who, through employees' or personal effort, builds or improves the property, provided that the improvements are not intended or offered for sale. If, however, the building or improvement is sold within one year of completion, the Owner-Builder will have the burden of proving that it was not built or improved for the purpose of sale.).

I, as owner of the property, am exclusively contracting with licensed Contractors to construct the project (Section 7044, Business and Professions Code: The Contractors' State License Law does not apply to an owner of property who builds or improves thereon, and who contracts for the projects with a licensed Contractor pursuant to the Contractors' State License Law.).

I am exempt from licensure under the Contractors' State License Law for the following reason:

By my signature below I acknowledge that, except for my personal residence in which I must have resided for at least one year prior to completion of the improvements covered by this permit, I cannot legally sell a structure that I have built as an owner-builder if it has not been constructed in its entirety by licensed contractors. I understand that a copy of the applicable law, Section 7044 of the Business and Professions Code, is available upon request when this application is submitted or at the following Web site: <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html>.

_____ Date _____

Signature of Property Owner or Authorized Agent

_____ Printed Name

When the Owner-Builder Declaration is executed, a Notice to Property Owner also shall be executed by the property owner.

The Notice to Property Owner shall be provided to the applicant by one of the following methods chosen by the permitting authority: regular mail, electronic format, or given directly to the applicant at the time the application for the permit is made.

Except as otherwise provided, the Notice to Property Owner pursuant to this section shall be completed and signed by the property owner and returned prior to issuance of the permit. *An agent of the owner shall not execute this notice.*

A permit shall not be issued unless the property owner complies with this section.

FORM NOTARIZATION

To be used when a copy of the owner's driver's license *will not* be presented with this completed application.

State of California	}	
County of _____		
On _____ before me, _____	<small>Date</small>	<small>Here Insert Name and Title of the Officer</small>
Personally appeared _____	<small>Names(s) of Signer(s)</small>	
_____	who provided to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose names(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument as Property Owner and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signatures(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.	
<small>Place Notary Seal Above</small>		
I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.		
WITNESS my hand and official seal.		
Signature _____		
	<small>Signature of Notary Public</small>	



CITY OF LOS ALTOS
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 1 N. San Antonio Road, Los Altos, CA 94022

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER

Dear Property Owner:

An application for a building permit has been submitted in your name listing yourself as the builder of the property improvements specified at

We are providing you with an Owner-Builder Acknowledgment and Information Verification Form to make you aware of your responsibilities and possible risk you may incur by having this permit issued in your name as the Owner-Builder.

We will not issue a building permit until you have read, initialed your understanding of each provision, signed, and returned this form to us at our official address indicated. *An agent of the owner cannot execute this notice.*

OWNER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT

AND VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION

DIRECTIONS: *Read and initial* each statement below to signify you understand or verify this information.

___ 1. I understand a frequent practice of unlicensed persons is to have the property owner obtain an "Owner-Builder" building permit that erroneously implies that the property owner is providing his or her own labor and material personally. I, as an Owner-Builder, may be held liable and subject to serious financial risk for any injuries sustained by an unlicensed person and his or her employees while working on my property. My homeowner's insurance may not provide coverage for those injuries. I am willfully acting as an Owner-Builder and am aware of the limits of my insurance coverage for injuries to workers on my property.

___ 2. I understand building permits are not required to be signed by property owners unless they are responsible for the construction and are not hiring a licensed Contractor to assume this responsibility.

___ 3. I understand as an "Owner-Builder" I am the responsible party of record on the permit. I understand that I may protect myself from potential financial risk by hiring a licensed Contractor and having the permit filed in his or her name instead of my own.

___ 4. I understand Contractors are required by law to be licensed and bonded in California and to list their license numbers on permits and contracts.

___ 5. I understand if I employ or otherwise engage any persons, other than California licensed Contractors, and the total value of my construction is at least five hundred dollars (\$500), including labor and materials, I may be considered an "employer" under state and federal law.

___ 6. I understand if I am considered an "employer" under state and federal law, I must register with the state and federal government, withhold payroll taxes, provide workers'

compensation disability insurance, and contribute to unemployment compensation for each "employee." I also understand my failure to abide by these laws may subject me to serious financial risk.

___ 7. I understand under California Contractors' State License Law, an Owner-Builder who builds single-family residential structures cannot legally build them with the intent to offer them for sale, unless all work is performed by licensed subcontractors and the number of structures does not exceed four within any calendar year, or all of the work is performed under contract with a licensed general building Contractor.

___ 8. I understand as an Owner-Builder if I sell the property for which this permit is issued, I may be held liable for any financial or personal injuries sustained by any subsequent owner(s) that result from any latent construction defects in the workmanship or materials.

___ 9. I understand I may obtain more information regarding my obligations as an "employer" from the Internal Revenue Service, the United States Small Business Administration, the California Department of Benefit Payments, and the California Division of Industrial Accidents. I also understand I may contact the California Contractors' State License Board (CSLB) at 1-800-321-CSLB (2752) or www.cslb.ca.gov for more information about licensed contractors.

___ 10. I am aware of and consent to an Owner-Builder building permit applied for in my name, and understand that I am the party legally and financially responsible for proposed construction activity at the following address:

___ 11. I agree that, as the party legally and financially responsible for this proposed construction activity, I will abide by all applicable laws and requirements that govern Owner-Builders as well as employers.

___ 12. I agree to notify the issuer of this form immediately of any additions, deletions, or changes to any of the information I have provided on this form. Licensed contractors are regulated by laws designed to protect the public. If you contract with someone who does not have a license, the Contractors' State License Board may be unable to assist you with any financial loss you may sustain as a result of a complaint. Your only remedy against unlicensed Contractors may be in civil court. It is also important for you to understand that if an unlicensed Contractor or employee of that individual or firm is injured while working on your property, you may be held liable for damages. If you obtain a permit as Owner-Builder and wish to hire Contractors, you will be responsible for verifying whether or not those Contractors are properly licensed and the status of their workers' compensation insurance coverage.

Before a building permit can be issued, this form must be completed and signed by the property owner and returned to the agency responsible for issuing the permit.

 Signature of property owner Date: _____

Note: A copy of the owner's driver's license OR form notarization is required to be presented when the permit is issued to verify the property owner's signature.



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**2008 BUILDING ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS RESIDENTIAL HVAC
ALTERATIONS
CLIMATE ZONES 1 AND 3 THROUGH 7**

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE, SECTION 7110

Willful or deliberate disregard and violation of the building laws, including the California Building Code, and local permit requirements constitutes a cause for disciplinary action from the Contractors State License Board working in conjunction with the local building department. This action may consist of fines up to \$5,000 per violation or suspension/revocation of a contractor's license.

WHEN IS A PERMIT REQUIRED?

A written construction permit shall be obtained from the enforcement agency prior to the erection, construction, reconstruction, installation, relocation, or alteration of any mechanical system, except as permitted in Appendix Chapter 1, Section 112.2 of the 2007 California Mechanical Code. Projects requiring permits include, but are not limited to:

- New HVAC installation
- HVAC Changeout
- Replacement of furnace, coil, FAU, or condenser
- Relocation of an existing HVAC unit
- Adding or replacing more than 40ft ducting in unconditioned space

2008 BUILDING ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS (Title 24, Part 6) REQUIREMENTS
INCLUDE:

1. Heating equipment must have a minimum 78% AFUE (Exception: Wall & floor furnaces; room heaters)
2. Central air conditioners & heat pumps less than 65,000 Btu/hr must have a minimum 13 SEER.
3. Newly installed or replaced ducts must have a minimum insulation value of R-4.2.
4. A setback type thermostat (24 hr clock with four set points) is required for all alterations.
5. New or replacement ducts must meet the mandatory requirements of Section 150(m):
 - All joints and openings in the HVAC system must be sealed.
 - Only UL 181, UL 181A, or UL 181B approved tapes or mastic shall be used to seal duct opening.
 - Connections of metals ducts and the inner core of flex ducts shall be mechanically fastened. Flex ducts must be connected using a metal sleeve/coupling.
 - Flex ducts that are suspended must be supported every 4ft. max for horizontal runs with no more than 2" of sag between supports and 6ft. max for vertical runs.
6. The CF-6R-MECH-04 must be completed and signed by the installing contractor. The inspector will collect this form and verify that the model numbers are the same as the installed equipment (See simplified CF-1R-ALT-HVAC on reverse side)

Simplified Prescriptive Certificate of Compliance: 2008 Residential HVAC Alterations CF-1R-ALT-VAC					
Climate Zones 1 and 3-7					
Manufacturer:			Model Number:		
Site Address:		Enforcement Agency:	Date:	Permit No.	
Equipment Type ¹	List Minimum ² Efficiency		Conditioned Floor Area	Duct Insulation requirement	Thermostat
<input type="checkbox"/> Packaged Unit <input type="checkbox"/> Furnace <input type="checkbox"/> Indoor Coil <input type="checkbox"/> Condensing Unit <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/> AFUE <input type="checkbox"/> SEER <input type="checkbox"/> EER	<input type="checkbox"/> COP _____ <input type="checkbox"/> HSPF _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Resistance	Served by system _____sf	Over 40 ft of ducts Added or replaced in Unconditioned space <input type="checkbox"/> R 6 (CZ 1, 3-5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Setback (if not already present, must be installed)
1. Equipment Type: Choose the equipment being installed; if more than one system, use another CF-1R-ALT-HVAC for each system. 2. Minimum Equipment Efficiencies: 13 SEER, 78% AFUE, 7.7 HSPF for typical residential systems.					
Contractor (Documentation Author's/Responsible Designer's Declaration Statement) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I certify that this Certificate of Compliance documentation is accurate and complete. • I am eligible under Division 3 of the California Business and Professions Code to accept responsibility For the design identified on this Certificate of Compliance • I certify that the energy features and performance specifications for the design identified on this Certificate of Compliance conform to the requirements of Title 24, Parts 1 and 6 of the California Code of Regulations. • The design features identified on this Certificate of Compliance are consistent with the information documented on other applicable compliance forms, worksheets, calculations, plans and specifications submitted to the enforcement agency for approval with the permit application. 					
Name:			Signature:		
Company:			Date:		
Address:			License No.:		
City/State/Zip:			Phone No.:		
Planning Approval:			Setback from property:		