



# General Mechanical Requirements

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## GENERAL

A mechanical system shall not be installed, altered, replaced, or remodeled unless a separate mechanical permit for each separate building or structure has first been obtained from the building official.

Permits become null and void if work authorized is not commenced within 180 days from the date of such permit, or if work authorized by such permit is suspended or abandoned at any time after the work is commenced for a period of 180 days.

All work shall comply with the Uniform Mechanical Code and the Mechanical Regulations of the Hemet Municipal Code.

No work shall be covered or energized without first having been inspected and approved.

## WHO CAN OBTAIN PERMITS

Permits shall be issued to duly licensed contractors. However, a homeowner can obtain a permit to do the construction, or alteration of the dwelling and accessory buildings.

Contractors working in the City of Hemet are required to have a City of Hemet business license.

## WHEN IS A PERMIT NEEDED?

Required-No person shall install, alter, or reconstruct any heating, ventilating, cooling, or refrigeration equipment unless a permit therefore has been obtained from the building official except as otherwise provided in this code. A permit shall be obtained for all heating, ventilating, cooling, or refrigeration equipment, moved with, or installed in, any relocated building. A separate permit shall be obtained for the equipment installed in each separate building or structure.

Exception: A separate mechanical permit shall not be required for any mechanical work involving a Group R, Division 3 or Group M Occupancy for which a combined permit has been obtained pursuant to Section 18.12.010. A permit shall not be required for the following:

1. Any portable heating appliance;

2. Any portable ventilating equipment;
3. Any portable cooling unit;
4. Any steam, hot, or chilled water piping within any heating or cooling equipment regulated by this code;
5. Replacement or repair of any component part or assembly of an appliance which does not alter its original approval and complies with other applicable requirements of this code;
6. Any portable evaporative cooler;
7. Any refrigerating equipment that is a part of the equipment for which a permit has been issued pursuant to the requirements of this code;
8. any unit refrigerating system.

## INSPECTIONS REQUIRED

All equipment for which permit is obtained under this code shall be inspected by the building official or his representative.

That portion of any equipment intended to be concealed by any permanent portion of the building shall not be concealed until inspected and approved.

When the installation of any equipment is complete, a second or final inspection shall be made.

Equipment regulated by this code shall not be connected to the fuel or power supply until authorized by the building official.

Exception. The requirements of this section shall not be considered to prohibit the operation of any heating equipment installed to replace existing heating equipment serving an occupied portion of a building, in the event a request for inspection of such heating equipment has been filed with the department not more than forty-eight hours after such replacement work is completed, and before any portion of such equipment is concealed by any permanent portion of the building.

1. A final inspection approval may, upon notice, be revoked by the building official if he finds that the heating, ventilating, cooling, or refrigeration equipment fails in any respect to comply with the requirements of this code, or that the installation is unsafe, dangerous, or a hazard to life or property.