



Siskiyou County Building Division

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Agricultural Exemption Permit Application

Notice: This is a permit application and not an approval to proceed with any work until such time as you have obtained specific approvals and an Agricultural Building Exemption Permit.

1. Identify Your Building Project

Owner _____ Project Location _____
Address _____ Approx. _____ ft/miles _____ N. S. E. W.
City/State/Zip _____ Of _____
Phone _____ Sub _____ Lot _____ Unit _____
Email _____ Contractor _____
Source of water Private Public
Sewage Disposal Private Public

This permit is to be issued in the name of the Licensed Contractor or Property Owner as the permit holder of record who will be responsible and liable for the construction.

Description of Work (Check One): Farm Implements Hay Grain Poultry

Livestock or Other Horticultural Products

Type of Construction: Wood Steel Concrete Masonry Pole Wood (conventional)

Floor: Dirt Concrete Asphalt

Roofing Material: Metal Comp. Class A Comp. Class B Other

Assessor's Parcel No. _____ Section _____ Township _____ Range _____

I declare under penalty of perjury the structure will be used as stated and, if there is any change in said use or occupancy, I will first contact the Siskiyou County Building Division. I hereby certify that I have read and examined all the information contained in this document and know the same to be true and correct. All provisions of laws and ordinances governing this type of work will be complied with whether specified herein or not. The granting of an Agricultural Building Exemption Permit does not presume to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of any other state or local laws regulating the construction or the performance or construction. **Note:** Make sure to read the information on page 2 of this application relating to Agricultural Building Exemption Permit before signing.

Signature of Property Owner / Agent _____

Date _____

Agency Use Only

Log No. _____ Group _____ Route _____ Rec'd By _____ Date _____

Project Address _____ (Assigned by Planning Dept.)

Zoning _____ Parcel Size _____ Acres Tax Rate Area _____

Assessor _____ Date _____ Planning _____ Date _____

Health _____ Date _____ Road _____ Date _____

Fire Marshal _____ Date _____ Flood _____ Date _____

Remarks _____

Agricultural Exemption Permit

Siskiyou County Code, Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 9-1.0114

Sec. 9-1.0114. Exemptions. Nothing contained in this chapter shall be construed to:

Sec. 9-1.01141. Prevent any person from performing his own building, plumbing, electrical or mechanical work for his/her own private use when performed with the permits and in compliance with the provisions of this chapter and adopted Codes; or

Sec. 9-1.01142. Requiring a building permit for an agricultural building meeting the following criterion for which an agricultural building exemption permit has been issued. Exemption from the building permit requirements of this code shall not be deemed to grant authorization for any work to be done in violation of the provisions of the technical codes or any other laws or ordinances of this jurisdiction. Agricultural building defined. "Agricultural building" means a structure designed and constructed to house farm implements, hay, grain, poultry, livestock or other horticultural products. This structure shall not be a place of human habitation or a place of employment; nor shall it be a place used by the public.

Building permits shall not be required for agricultural building as defined above; provided, that:

- (a) It is not located in an area of special flood hazard;
- (b) It does not have, within said building, workers, customers, bathrooms, assemblages, display or products, packaging, sales, work stations or storage warehousing of processed products in quantity;
- (c) It is located on a parcel of land forty (40) acres or more in size and zoned for agricultural uses;
- (d) It is located a minimum of twenty (20') feet from the property line and a minimum of twenty-three (23') feet from any dwelling; and
- (e) An agricultural building exemption permit is applied for and obtained by the property owner or authorized agent. The fee for an agricultural exempt permit shall be twice the minimum fees established by the fee schedule addressed in Section 9-7.07 plus the State of California's Strong Motion Instrumentation Program (Seismic Fee).

For the purpose of this subsection, an agricultural exempt building is not a building any part of which is used as a place of human occupation, habitation, employment, recreation, or any commercial purposes, including by way of example, but not limited to, covered riding arenas, commercial stables, commercial feeding barns, fish hatchery facilities, wineries, sawmills, dairies, commercial green houses, warehouses and firewood storage structures.

Standards for agricultural exempt buildings: (1) agricultural exempt buildings located on parcels of forty (40) or more acres are limited to 12,000 square feet in area and thirty-five (35') feet in height; (2) the ground floor of an agricultural exempt building shall be on grade and must be concrete, dirt or asphalt concrete; (3) standard permits and inspections are required for electrical and plumbing installations. Electrical installations are limited to lights and not more than two (2) 110v receptacles. Plumbing installations are limited to exterior hose bibs and a clean up sink (commercial or residential rated). Mechanical installations are prohibited. Waste systems for plumbing installations require approvals from the Department of Environmental Health, prior to permit issuance; (4) exiting from agricultural exempt buildings shall be arranged so that no point in the building is more than three hundred (300') feet from an exit; (5) an inspection shall be requested after the structure is built and prior to expiration to verify the location and usage of the building; and (6) an agricultural building exemption permit shall expire by limitation and become null and void if the building authorized by such permit is not completed within one year of the date of issuance.

Such buildings or structures are not for human habitation or places of employment where agricultural products are processed, treated, or packaged, nor shall they be a place used by the public or attached to any other occupancy (use) nor shall the area of the existing plus addition exceed the allowable area for a single building or structure. Such agricultural exemption shall not apply to any electrical, plumbing, or mechanical equipment installed in or on the building or structure, or connection to any potable water supply or waste disposal system. All persons claiming an agricultural exemption pursuant to this chapter shall, before commencing construction, make application with the Building Official, with a fee in the amount set heretofore, to offset the County's cost of processing the application, and secure from the Building Official an agricultural exempt permit.

The owner or person proposing to construct a building or structure or perform any work exempt from the provisions hereof may obtain inspection services as provided in this chapter dealing with building permit inspections by applying for and obtaining the appropriate permits and paying the regularly established fees therefor in the same manner as those said building, structure, or work when not exempt pursuant to this section.

Permit Application (continued)

2. Identify Who Will Perform the Work (complete either 2a or 2b)

a. California Licensed Contractor's Declaration

I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury that I am licensed under provisions of Chapter 9 (commencing within Section 7000) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code, and my license is in full force and effect.

Contractor Name and Address: _____

License Class and No. _____ Contractor Signature _____

b. 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 the 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: [Business and Professions Code Section 7044](#)

Property Owner or Authorized Agent Signature _____ Date _____

3. Identify Workers' Compensation coverage and Lending Agency

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 attorneys' fees.

Workers' Compensation Declaration

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 No.: _____ Expiration Date: _____
Name of Agent: _____ Telephone: _____
- 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.

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 and Address _____

4. Declaration by Construction Permit Applicant

By my signature below, I certify to each of the following:

I am a California Licensed Contractor or the property owner* or authorized to act on the property owner's behalf**.

I have read this construction permit 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.

California Licensed Contractor, Property Owner* or Authorized Agent**

Signature _____ Date _____

**Requires separate verification form*

***Requires separate authorization form*