

THE ASSESMENT OF NEW CONSTRUCTION (Town of Newton)

When a building permit and/or Certificate of Occupancy is received from Building Department, it is categorized into one of the following groups for processing by the Assessor's Office. The following is a partial list of permit work and how it may impact the assessment. Individual consideration of the actual work performed once complete may change the anticipated way the assessment will ultimately be handled.

<u>ASSESSABLE (RES & COMM)</u> These items generally result in an Added Assmt or Assmt Change	<u>NO CHANGE – PROCESS</u> Items are logged into the Assmt System, permits then discarded	<u>NO CHANGE - DISCARD</u> These permits are not tracked or logged by the Assessor
New Bldgs	Sheds (100 sq ft or less)	Above Ground Pool
Additions & Alt (*)	Electrical Upgrade (new Service)	Fire / Smoke / Security Alarms
Modern Kitchens & Baths	Re-wiring (full or partial)	Change of Contractor
New Siding on Main Bldg (All)	Radon / Lead Remediation	Sewer / Water Lines & Pumps
New Siding on Accessory Bldg	Interior Partitions & Alt (**)	Tank Remediation (UST, AST)
Fin Bsmt and/or Attic	Deck/Porch Repl (same SF/Use)	Above Ground Fuel Tanks
FP, Wood/Pellet Stoves	Roof Replacement	Water Heater / softener
Decks / Patios / Porches	Partial Siding (less than 50%)	Lawn Irrigation (sprinklers)
Canopies (permanent) / Gazebo	Furnaces – New or Replaced	Painting / Exterior Cosmetics
Brick or Stone Veneer	Bay Window (if not floor to ceil)	Signs
Central AC	Repair/Repl Central AC	Re-roof on Detached Bldgs
Sheds (101-sf or more)	Repl Comm Sprinkler/Supp. Sys.	Footings / Temp Trailer
Cabanas / Barns / Det Gar	Interior Comm Lighting	Retaining Walls / Landscaping
In-ground Pool / sunken Hot tub	Solar Panels (roof or ground)	Driveways
Comm Sprinkler	Geothermal HVAC	Doors / Insulation / Window
New Windows (only if all replaced)	Single fix / ADA conver (Comm)	Freestanding Decks
Parking Lots (Comm only)	Generator (Comm)	Gas Piping
Tenant Fit Up (if change in use)	Generator (Res) – whole house	Change from Gas or Oil
Demolitions – chg for next year	Receptacles, Switches, Lights	Annual Electrical Insp
	Chimney liners, repairs, etc.	Stairs, Handrails, Guardrails
	Foundation work	Exterior Lighting
		Awnings (fabric or plastic)

(*) This includes any combination of renovating kitchens, baths, finishing a basement, adding a den, sunroom, etc., converting an unfinished attic or garage or storage space to a useable finished room, converting retail space into offices, converting warehouse into offices or retail.

(**) New interior partitioning (walls) in existing “finished area”, carpeting, sheetrock, painting or wallpapering an existing room will **NOT** impact the assessment.