

Building Violation FAQs

There is a red STOP WORK ORDER on my home, what do I do?

Contact the investigator listed on the STOP WORK ORDER or contact the project coordinator at Buildingviolations@pascocountyfl.net

Can I continue working on other projects while there is a STOP WORK ORDER posted? No. You must stop all work and comply with the issues regarding your STOP WORK ORDER.

The unpermitted work was on the property when I purchased it; Am I still responsible?

Yes. Although you did not create the issue, *Pasco County Code of Ordinances Chapter 18-36 (c)* states that the current owner is responsible for the property, and an after the fact permit will be required to remediate the violation. Another option is to return the structure to the original condition. (This may require a permit).

What work does not require a permit?

You can view a full list of work that does not require a permit on our [Central Permitting website](#). **Note:** All types of work shown do not require a permit but may require a licensed contractor.

Can I perform work on my own house, or do I need to hire a licensed contractor?

Florida Building Code allows for a homeowner to act as a contractor under certain restrictions. This must be for the owner's private use and not a rental. More information can be found on the [Owner-Builder Affidavit](#).

Do I need to file a Notice of Commencement if I am pulling the permit as a homeowner?

Yes. State regulations require that a Notice of Commencement be recorded with the County Clerk's office whenever the value of the work exceeds \$2,500. (\$7,500 for Air Conditioner replacement).

Are there any fees associated with my Building Violation?

There will be a double permit fee. If no action is taken towards compliance, further fees could be assessed.

How much does a permit cost?

Permits vary in price depending on the work being done, the size of the project, and the number of trades involved. For an estimated cost, please contact one of our [Central Permitting offices](#) with this information.

Can I obtain a permit for my violation online?

No. You must come into your nearest Central Permitting office with all necessary documents to obtain your permit.

How do I report unpermitted work, or an unlicensed contractor?

Please contact [Customer Service Center](#).

Can I see who filed a complaint against me?

You can submit for a [public record request](#).