

## What is a Building Permit?

Section 694 (1) of the *Local Government Act* authorizes the Village of Telkwa for the health, safety and protection of persons and property to regulate the construction, alteration, repair, or demolition of buildings and structures by bylaw.

Prior starting construction, alternation, renovation, demolition or removal, or relocation or change of occupancy to any building or structure, you must first obtain a Building Permit.

The Province of British Columbia has adopted a building code to govern standards in respect of the construction, alteration, repair and demolition of buildings in municipalities and regional districts in the Province.

## Who needs a Building Permit?

Building Permits are mandatory for:

- > Design and construction of any new building
- ➤ Design and construction a new accessory building
- > Construction or location of a temporary building
- ➤ Alterations, renovations or repairs to an existing building or structure
- > Demolition or removal of any building or structure
- ➤ Relocation or change to the occupancy of any building or structure, including excavation or other work related to construction unless the Building Inspector has issued a valid and subsisting permit for the work
- Remodel or construction of a deck
- > Construction of a swimming pool
- Installation or alteration of plumbing within a structure or on a property
- > Installation a new chimney or fireplace
- Installation of a wood stove, fireplace insert or other wood burning appliance