



County of Elbert, Colorado

Policies and Procedures

18-07. Storage Containers:

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Exemptions from permit requirements of this code shall not be deemed to grant authorization for any work to be done in any manner in violation of the provisions of this code or any other laws, ordinances or resolutions of this jurisdiction. Work exempted from requiring any type of construction permit does not preclude any required approval from the department of planning and zoning. Permits shall not be required for the following:

- 1) One-story detached accessory structures used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses and similar uses, provided that the floor area is not greater than 120 square feet (11m²).

This policy is to clarify that accessory structures greater than 120 square feet require a permit, including shipping containers and any/all similar reusable steel boxes. Shipping containers / reusable steel boxes are accessory structures (IBC Sec. 312, Utility and miscellaneous Group U) and will be subject to compliance with the Elbert County adopted codes. Shipping containers intended for permanent use must be placed on an engineered foundation, as any other steel structure, and are subject to the adopted codes related to the intended use. Shipping containers intended for temporary use will be permitted for only 180 days, pursuant to IBC 2018, Sec. 108, and are subject to the adopted codes related to intended use, and will require a bond of \$3,000.00 to ensure prompt removal within 10 days of expiration of the temporary permit.

Building Official: *Chris J. Kelley* Date: 11-29-18

Effective Date: *Jan 1, 2019*

Director: *[Signature]* Date: 11/20/18

Office Administrator: *[Signature]* Date: 11-20-18



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Correction:

- 1) One-story detached accessory structures, provided that the floor area does not exceed 200 square feet.

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