



County of Elbert, Colorado

Policies and Procedures

19-05

Storage Containers:

As amended, IBC 2018, Section 104.1 Duties and Powers of Building Official, General, states;

The building official is hereby authorized and directed to enforce the provisions of this code. The building official shall have the authority to render interpretations of this code and to adopt policies and procedures in order to clarify the application of its provisions. Such interpretations, policies and procedures shall be in compliance with the intent and purpose of this code. Such policies and procedures shall not have the effect of waiving requirements specifically provided for in this code. And;

As amended, IBC 2018, Section 105.2 Work exempt from permits states;

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, provided that the floor area does not exceed 200 square feet.

Elbert County Building Department Policy 19-05 rescinds the previously recorded Building Department Policy 19-01 regarding the permitting of accessory enclosures (shipping containers and any/all similar reusable steel boxes), and replaces it with the following;

Accessory enclosures greater than 200 square feet require a building permit, including shipping containers and any/all similar reusable steel boxes that are modified, remodeled, or repurposed to an outbuilding or residential structure. All accessory enclosures that are modified will require building permits.

In the period between January 1, 2020 and June 30, 2020 (Amnesty period) all existing modified remodeled or repurposed shipping containers / reusable steel boxes can be permitted without the assessment of a violation fee.

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After June 30, 2020, violation fees will be assessed on all existing modified remodeled or repurposed shipping containers that were not permitted during the Amnesty period, and they will be required to meet Building Department permitting and Code requirements. After June 30, 2020, all modified, remodeled or repurposed shipping containers that do not have permits may be assessed a building code violation fee, and must be permitted.

Effective Date: January 1, 2020

Building Official: Chris S. Kelley

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Office Administrator: [Signature]