



## **ACCESSORY STRUCTURES 200 SQUARE FEET AND LESS IN SIZE**

Accessory Structures 200 square feet or less are not regulated by the International Building Code. However, a \$20 Zoning Permit is required for the placement of a structure in this category.

You can apply for a Zoning Permit online at [www.owatonna.gov](http://www.owatonna.gov) under the Licenses and Permits button. Location of all structures shall be approved by Planning Department Staff prior to issuance of a permit.

- All accessory structures shall be located in the rear yard.
- The structure cannot block any drainage way.
- The structure must be placed a minimum of 3 feet from interior side and rear property lines. Structures on corner lots must be placed a minimum of 20 feet from the side property line along a side street.
- Accessory Structures up to 120 square feet and moveable may be placed within a utility easement with the permission of Owatonna Public Utilities, City Engineering Department, and City Planning Department. Removal and / or relocation of any structure in a utility easement due to utility repair, or if drainage issues occur, is the responsibility of the property owner. Accessory Structures over 120 square feet shall not be located within utility easements.
- Permanent Structures must be located 3 feet or more from any existing building on the lot. Moveable structures can be closer than 3 feet, provided all Building Code requirements are met.
- All structures, whether provided with a poured concrete floor or constructed as a moveable building, must be tied down to prevent any relocation of the structure during strong winds.
- No more than two accessory structures shall be permitted on a single lot, of which only one can be a detached private garage.
- Maximum density and size: The total area of all accessory buildings and structures shall occupy no more than 30% of the rear yard, no accessory building or buildings shall exceed 1,000 square feet in total gross floor area.
- The maximum height for an accessory building shall not exceed 15 feet.

Please contact Gopher State One Call at 1-800-252-1166 or [www.gopherstateonecall.org](http://www.gopherstateonecall.org) at least two working days before digging.

If you have any questions, please call our office at 507-444-4370.