

# Mississauga Deck Permit Checklist

When you need a permit, what to draw, and what to ask before you build

## Do you need a permit?

- 1 Measure deck height to the top of the walking surface**  
More than 0.6 m (about 24 in) above grade usually triggers a permit.
- 2 Check if the deck is attached to the house**  
Any ledger attachment or walkout deck needs a permit.
- 3 Note any roof, gazebo, or hot tub**  
Covered decks and added loads are always permit projects.

## Drawings a permit needs

- 1 Site plan with setbacks from property lines**  
Shows the deck location and distance to lot lines.
- 2 Deck plan and cross-section**  
Footing size and depth, beam and joist sizes, ledger, guards, stairs.
- 3 Footings below the local frost line**  
Required so the deck does not heave in winter.

## Before you build

- 1 Confirm the current fee with the City**  
Mississauga deck fees are area-based and change year to year.
- 2 Apply before construction starts**  
Footings are inspected before they are buried.
- 3 Build to the approved drawings**  
Changes mid-build can require a revision and re-inspection.

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