



Do I need Planning Permission or Building Regulation Compliance for my HAYMAC Timber Building?

Planning Permission and Building Regulation compliance for your new HAYMAC timber building is responsibility of the purchaser/customer, while HAYMAC make every effort to ensure your new timber building is built and installed within applicable guidelines please make any checks with your local authority if you are unsure that your new building can be installed using permitted development rights and is exempt from building regulations compliance.

Use our planning permission and building regulation compliance 'traffic light' check sheet to see if you can install the size of building you want in the location you want in your garden without the need for planning permission using permitted development rights and without the need for building regulation compliance. If the timber building size you want has three green 'lights', then you can install the building you want without any issues.

The information below gives you guidance on what buildings can be installed within planning permission permitted development and what buildings are exempt from building regulations.

Planning Permission for Timber Outbuildings

Rules governing outbuildings apply to sheds, workshops, cabins, summer houses, greenhouses and garages as well as other ancillary garden buildings such as, kennels, animal/livestock enclosures and many other kinds of structure for a purpose incidental to the enjoyment of the dwellinghouse.

Outbuildings are considered to be permitted development, not needing planning permission, subject to the following limits and conditions:

1. No outbuilding on land forward of a wall forming the principal elevation.
2. Outbuildings and garages to be single storey with maximum eaves height of 2.5 metres and maximum overall height of four metres with a dual pitched roof or three metres for any other roof.
3. Maximum height of 2.5 metres in the case of a building, enclosure or container within two metres of a boundary of the curtilage of the dwellinghouse.
4. No verandas, balconies or raised platforms.
5. No more than half the area of land around the "original house"* would be covered by additions or other buildings.

In National Parks, the Broads, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and World Heritage Sites the maximum area to be covered by buildings, enclosures, containers and pools more than 20 metres from the house to be limited to 10 square metres.

On designated land* buildings, enclosures, containers and pools at the side of properties will require planning permission. Within the curtilage of listed buildings, any outbuilding will require planning permission.

*The term "original house" means the house as it was first built or as it stood on 1 July 1948 (if it was built before that date). Although you may not have built an extension to the house, a previous owner may have done so.

*Designated land includes national parks and the Broads, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, conservation areas and World Heritage Sites.

Is building regulations approval needed for a timber outbuilding?

If you want to put up small detached buildings such as a garden shed or summerhouse in your garden, building regulations will not normally apply if the floor area of the building is less than 15 square metres and contains NO sleeping accommodation.

If the floor area of the building is between 15 square metres and 30 square metres, you will not normally be required to apply for building regulations approval providing that the building contains NO sleeping accommodation and is either at least one metre from any boundary or it is constructed of substantially non-combustible materials.

This section provides you with general information to help you comply with the Building Regulations when constructing a new outbuilding within the boundaries of an existing property, such as a garage or carport.

Building a new garage or timber building attached to an existing home would normally need building regulations approval.

Building a new attached carport (open on at least two sides) would not normally require building regulations approval if it is less than 30 square metres in floor area.

Building a detached timber building of less than 30 square metres floor area would not normally need building regulations approval if:

1. the floor area of the detached outbuilding is less than 15 square metres.
2. the floor area of the outbuilding is between 15 square metres and 30 square metres, provided the outbuilding is at least one metre from any boundary, or it is constructed from substantially non-combustible materials.

AMBER NOTE- no building regulations compliance is needed if the building installed is 1.0m away from any boundary.

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Imperial Equivalent	Metric Size	Floor Area
11x29	3.3 x 8.7	28.71
11x30	3.3 x 9.0	29.7
12x5	3.6 x 1.5	5.4
12x6	3.6 x 1.8	6.48
12x7	3.6 x 2.1	7.56
12x8	3.6 x 2.4	8.64
12x9	3.6 x 2.7	9.72
12x10	3.6 x 3.0	10.8
12x11	3.6 x 3.3	11.88
12x12	3.6 x 3.6	12.96
12x13	3.6 x 3.9	14.04
12x14	3.6 x 4.2	15.12
12x15	3.6 x 4.5	16.2
12x16	3.6 x 4.8	17.28
12x17	3.6 x 5.1	18.36
12x18	3.6 x 5.4	19.44
12x19	3.6 x 5.7	20.52
12x20	3.6 x 6.0	21.6
12x21	3.3 x 6.3	22.68
12x22	3.3 x 6.6	23.76
12x23	3.6 x 6.9	24.84
12x24	3.6 x 7.2	25.92
12x25	3.6 x 7.5	27
12x26	3.6 x 7.8	28.08
12x27	3.6 x 8.1	29.16
12x28	3.6 x 8.4	30.24
12x29	3.6 x 8.7	31.32
12x30	3.6 x 9.0	32.4
13x5	3.9 x 1.5	5.85

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No	Yes	Yes & No	YES**see amber note
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No	Yes	No	YES
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No	Yes	No	YES
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13x10	3.9 x 3.0	11.7
13x11	3.9 x 3.3	12.87
13x12	3.9 x 3.6	14.04
13x13	3.9 x 3.9	15.21
13x14	3.9 x 4.2	16.38
13x15	3.9 x 4.5	17.55
13x16	3.9 x 4.8	18.72
13x17	3.9 x 5.1	19.89
13x18	3.9 x 5.4	21.06
13x19	3.9 x 5.7	22.23
13x20	3.9 x 6.0	23.4
13x21	3.9 x 6.3	24.57
13x22	3.9 x 6.6	25.74
13x23	3.9 x 6.9	26.91
13x24	3.9 x 7.2	28.08
13x25	3.9 x 7.5	29.25
13x26	3.9 x 7.8	30.42
13x27	3.9 x 8.1	31.59
13x28	3.9 x 8.4	32.76
13x29	3.9 x 8.7	33.93
13x30	3.9 x 9.0	35.1
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20x27	6.0 x 8.1	48.6
20x28	6.0 x 8.4	50.4
20x29	6.0 x 8.7	52.2
20x30	6.0 x 9.0	54

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