

The following table is an overview of which buildings constructed in the state of Oklahoma require that the design and construction documents be prepared by a licensed architect, and which buildings are exempt from this requirement.

[Please refer to the 2003 International Building Code, Chapter 3: Use and Occupancy Classification.]

Oklahoma State Architectural and Interior Designers Act (OS 59-46.1)

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Non-Exempt Use Groups (Buildings requiring an architectural seal)	Exempt Use Groups (Buildings NOT requiring an architectural seal)
<p>A-1 Assembly (Sec 303) Including, but not limited to: Assembly uses with fixed seating such as Theaters, Concert Halls, Television & radio studios, etc.</p>	<p>A-2 & A-3 Assembly (Sec 303) 50 persons max Not exceeding 2 stories Including, but not limited to: Banquet halls, Night clubs, Restaurants, Taverns and bars, Churches, Community halls, Funeral Parlors, Gyms, Libraries, Museums, etc.</p>
<p>A-4 Assembly (Sec 303) Including, but not limited to: Arenas, Skating rinks, Swimming pools & Tennis courts, etc.</p>	<p>E – Educational (Sec 305) through the 12th grade. 50 persons max Not exceeding 2 stories</p>
<p>A-5 Assembly (Sec 303) Including, but not limited to: Amusement park structures, Bleachers, Grandstands, Stadiums, etc.</p>	<p>B - Business (Sec 304) 100,000 S.F. max Not exceeding 2 stories Including, but not limited to: Offices, Banks, Car wash, Outpatient clinics, Educational above 12th grade, Professional services, Radio & television stations, etc.</p>
<p>I – Institutional (Sec 308) Group I-1 More than 16 persons Residential care/Assisted living facilities</p>	<p>F - Factory Industrial (Sec 306) Unlimited S.F. Not exceeding 2 stories</p>
<p>I – Institutional (Sec 308) Group I-2 Including, but not limited to: Hospitals, Nursing and Detoxification Facilities, 24-hr. Child care for 6 or more persons (2 ½ yrs. or less), etc.</p>	<p>H – High-Hazard (Sec 307) Unlimited S.F. Not exceeding 2 stories</p>
<p>I – Institutional (Sec 308) Group I –3 Including, but not limited to: Prisons, Jails, & Correctional and Prerelease centers, etc. for less than 5 persons</p>	<p>M – Mercantile (Sec 309) 200,000 S.F. max Not exceeding 2 stories Including, but not limited to: Department, Drug, Retail or Wholesale stores, Markets, Motor fuel-dispensing facilities, etc.</p>
<p>I – Institutional (Sec 308) Group I –4 Including, but not limited to: Day care facilities for adults (> 12th grade) & children (2 ½ yrs. or less), etc. for less than 24 hours for more than 5 persons</p>	<p>R-1 – Residential (Transient) (Sec 310) 64 dwelling units max Not exceeding 2 stories Occupants are primarily transient and capable of self-preservation: Boarding houses, Hotels and Motels, etc.</p>

<p>R-2 Residential (Sec 310) Limited to Convents, Dormitories, Fraternities, Sororities and Monasteries</p>	<p>R-2 - Residential (Permanent) (Sec 310) 32 dwelling units per bldg. max Not exceeding 2 stories Apartments, Vacation timeshare properties, and non-transient Boarding houses, Hotels & Motels</p>
	<p>R-3 - Residential (Permanent) (Sec 310) Unlimited S.F. Not exceeding 2 stories Detached one and two-family dwellings and Townhouses, Nursing homes and Child care facilities for less than 5 persons; etc.</p>
	<p>R-4 – Residential (Sec 310) (Residential care/Assisted living) 16 dwelling units max Not exceeding 2 stories</p>
	<p>S-1 – Storage (Sec 311) Moderate-Hazard (Combustible materials stored.) Unlimited S.F. Not exceeding 2 stories</p>
	<p>S-2 – Storage (Sec 311) Low-Hazard (Noncombustible materials stored.) Unlimited S.F. Not exceeding 2 stories</p>
	<p>U – Utility and Miscellaneous (Sec 312) Unlimited S.F. Not exceeding 2 stories Including, but not limited to: Agricultural buildings, Carports, Fences > 6’ h., Private garages, Retaining walls, Tanks, Towers, etc.</p>
	<p>Municipal, County, State, Public Trust, Federal government buildings \$158,000 max expected construction costs</p>
	<p>Incidental Buildings or Appurtenances</p>
	<p>All uninhabitable, privately owned agricultural buildings</p>
	<p>Renovation or alteration of a building where the intended use is exempt as new construction</p>
	<p>Addition, renovation or alteration of a building (where the intended use is <u>not</u> exempt) that does not affect the primary structural, mechanical, or electrical systems, life safety systems or exit passageways.</p>

Notes:

1. Refer to 2003 International Building Code for definitions and Use and Occupancy Classification.
2. A "building" means a structure consisting of a foundation, walls, all floors and roof, with or without other parts. A basement is not to be counted as a story for the purpose of counting stories of a building for height regulations. (See Sec. 502.1 for definition of Basement.)
3. See 2003 IBC Section 1004, Table 1004.1.2 for occupant loads.