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DECKS

- decks with roofs require piles and are considered part of the principal dwelling and must adhere to setbacks.
- decks without a roof may encroach into a required yard if it is under 5' in height as measured from top of floor to top of grade and is used to access a door on the house.
- full site plans showing the house, all accessory buildings, and the deck are required for a building permit.
- any deck over 8" from top of floor to top of grade requires a building permit.
- any deck 25 sq.ft. (5' x 5') or over; OR 3 risers or more requires a building permit.
- any changes to a deck require a permit except for replacing the existing decking with the same material.
- any deck that exceeds 24" as measured from top of floor to top of grade requires a code compliant railing.

For more information about construction: <http://cwc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Prescriptive-Residential-Exterior-Wood-Deck-Span-Guide.pdf>