



# Accessory Building Requirements

**-THE CITY OF GRIMES IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ESTABLISHING PROPERTY LINES.**

**- ALL ACCESSORY BUILDINGS REQUIRE AN APPROVED PERMIT FROM THE CITY OF GRIMES.**

**-ACCESSORY BUILDING THAT ARE 720 SQ FT OR MORE REQUIRE FOOTING 42" DEEP**

**-PLEASE CHECK WITH THE BUILDING OFFICIAL AS TO THE REQUIRED INSPECTIONS AND PARTICULAR CODE REQUIREMENTS FOR YOUR STRUCTURE..**

**- ACCESSORY BUILDINGS. NO ACCESSORY BUILDING SHALL BE ERRECTED IN ANY REQUIRED YARD OTHER THAN A REAR YARD, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED HEREINAFTER. ACCESSORY BUILDINGS IN REAR YARDS SHALL BE AT LEAST SIX (6) FEET FROM ALLEY LINES AND AT LEAST THREE (3) FEET FROM LOT LINES OF ADJOINING LOTS WHICH ARE IN ANY "R" DISTRICT, AND ON A CORNER LOT THEY SHALL CONFORM TO THE SETBACK REGULATIONS ON THE SIDE STREET AND ON A DOUBLE FRONTAGE LOT THEY SHALL ONLY BE PLACED IN THE REAR YARD BETWEEN THE BACK OF THE RESIDENCE OR BUILDING AND THE BACK YARD SETBACK LINE. ACCESSORY BUILDINGS MAY BE ERRECTED AS A PART OF THE PRINCIPAL BUILDING, OR MAY BE CONNECTED THERETO BY A BREEZEWAY OR SIMILAR STRUCTURE, PROVIDED ALL YARD REQUIREMENTS FOR A PRINCIPAL BUILDING ARE COMPLIED WITH. AN ACCESSORY BUILDING WHICH IS NOT A PART OF THE MAIN BUILDING SHALL NOT OCCUPY MORE THAN THIRTY (30) PERCENT OF THE REAR YARD AND SHALL NOT EXCEED FIFTEEN (15) FEET IN HEIGHT; HOWEVER, THIS REGULATION SHALL NOT BE INTERPRETED TO PROHIBIT THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY (550) SQUARE FOOT GARAGE ON A MINIMUM REAR YARD. NO ACCESSORY BUILDING SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED UPON A LOT UNTIL THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MAIN BUILDING HAS BEEN ACTUALLY COMMENCED, AND NO ACCESSORY BUILDING SHALL BE USED UNLESS THE MAIN BUILDING ON THE LOT IS ALSO BEING USED.**



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