

Revised 1/3/2023  
**JACKSON TOWNSHIP**  
**GUIDANCE DOCUMENT**  
FOR  
**SHED & DETACHED GARAGE**  
Includes Gazebos, Greenhouses & Carports

Sheds less than 100 sf do not require a permit. See \* below.

Sheds 100 sf and more require permits (include 2<sup>nd</sup> floor loft if applicable)

Detached Garage 1000 sf or more require code permits in addition to Zoning Permit

Electric for accessory structures requires electrical code permit.

**Setback Requirements** (all sheds & garages less than 600 sf)

Typical in R-1 Zone Only (other Zoning Districts, please check with Zoning Office)

From property lines:	front	40'	(this is the street right-of-way, not the pavement)
	side	10'	
	rear	10'	
From dwellings:		8'	
Height:		25' max.	

Accessory structures equal to or greater than 600 square feet must meet principal building setbacks in all zoning districts. Please inquire with Zoning Office.

Check with the Township Zoning Office if there are any questions about property lines, street right-of-ways or determination of side yards, etc.

\* Sheds shall not be placed upon septic tanks, sewage drainfields, right-of way or easements. A 10-foot minimum separation distance is recommended from septic tanks and drainfields. Also, setbacks from wetlands (35'), streams (75'), lakes and ponds (50') apply to all buildings.

**A shed permit application consists of the following:**

- ☐ completed Zoning Application
- ☐ plot plan showing the proposed shed location in relationship to existing features and all appropriate dimensions, including size of shed
- ☐ place 4 stakes or markers at the corners of the proposed shed location

**A garage permit application (under 1000 sf) also includes the following in addition to the items above:**

- ☐ include floor plan with loft if applicable, elevation views, basic construction plan

Permits are typically issued within 10 days of receiving a complete and accurate application. For permit fees, please refer to our fee schedule.