

In the United States, there are legalization efforts/approvals for tiny homes both at the state and town level. Though, to see if your state/town allows tiny homes, we recommend taking the following steps:

- **Step 1:** Reach out to the Land Use Planning Department in your town/jurisdiction to ask about legality/placement requirements. This department may go by a different name like Zoning, Engineering, or something similar.
- **Step 2:** Use the applicable verbiage when reaching out to the appropriate department. As there are a myriad of different tiny home types out there (on wheels, RV-certified, manufactured, ADU, and foundation-built) your town/jurisdiction may allow some, but not all, types. Please let us know if the department asks specific questions about the tiny home you're trying to place and we may be able to help you answer them.
 - Living Full Time: I am interested in placing a tiny home that is permanently affixed to a trailer in (*insert your town/jurisdiction here*) for residential living. Are there any permit requirements or zoning restrictions that I should be made aware of before continuing forward with a professional tiny home building company?
 - Living Temporarily/Short Term Rental: I am interested in placing a tiny home that is permanently affixed to a trailer in (*insert your town/jurisdiction here*) for temporary residential living. The purpose of this tiny home is for (*short term rental/temporary housing for family during visits/seasonal living/insert reason here*). Are there any permit requirements or zoning restrictions that I should be made aware of before continuing forward with a professional tiny home building company?
- **Step 3:** Not every town/jurisdiction will have requirements in place for tiny homes that are permanently affixed to a trailer. Therefore, the following questions may be helpful to ask the appropriate department you reach out to.
 - Do you require a minimum/maximum square footage for tiny homes?
 - Do you allow tiny homes that are permanently affixed to a trailer? If not, if I was able to remove the wheels and place the home on blocks with structural strapping and earth anchors, would this satisfy the need for a foundation/non-mobile structure?
 - Are tiny homes considered ADUs? If so, what requirements must they meet?
 - Are tiny homes on wheels allowed to be classified as permanent residential housing and/or temporary residential housing?
 - If tiny homes are allowed, are there any code restrictions such as Appendix Q, HUD, or something else?
 - If tiny homes on wheels are allowed, do they need to meet specific RV certifications such as RVIA? If yes, is NOAH acceptable?
 - Are there any variances that I can apply for to legally place a tiny home that is permanently affixed to a trailer?
 - If approved, will my tiny home need to be hooked up to city sewer/septic? If I install a composting and/or incinerating toilet that doesn't outfall black water, can I install a grey water filtration system and outfall the filtered greywater into a drywell in lieu of city sewer/septic?