

## **Who May Prepare Plans?**

State law regulating the architectural and engineering professions describes who may prepare plans for buildings.

Any person may prepare plans for new buildings or additions to buildings, as follows:

1. Single family dwellings of wood frame construction not more than two stories and a basement in height.
2. Multi-family dwellings of wood frame construction not more than two stories and a basement in height, except that there may be no more than four dwelling units on any one lot.
3. Garages and other appurtenant structures of wood frame construction not more than two stories and a basement in height.
4. Agricultural and ranch building of wood frame construction.
5. Interior nonstructural alterations that do not affect the structural system or the safety of the building.

However, any of the above buildings that are not of conventional wood frame construction or have unusual design features, or where there is insufficient lateral bracing shall be designed by a registered civil engineer or certified architect when required by the building official.

### **Registered Civil Engineers or Certified Architect**

Registered civil engineers or certified architects shall prepare plans for retaining walls over 4 feet in height, plans for all types of buildings, other than those listed above or as required by the building official.