

An Accessory Building is a detached structure that is secondary to the main building on the property. (i.e., detached garage, storage shed)

Pursuant to [§ 9-5.603 ACCESSORY BUILDINGS](#) of the City of Antioch Municipal Code:

- In residential districts, the maximum allowable height is 15 feet for accessory structures.
- Detached accessory structures shall be located behind the required front yard setback and cover no more than 40% of the rear yard area required for the main building.
- The minimum side yard for accessory structures is 20 feet on corner lots and 5 feet on interior lots.
- A 5-foot minimum rear yard setback is required, unless the property is a double-frontage lot in which case a 10-foot rear yard setback is required.
- In the event an accessory building is attached to the main building, it shall be considered structurally a part of the main building and shall comply in all respects with the requirements of this chapter applicable to the main building.
- Unless so attached, an accessory building in a residential district shall be at least five feet from any dwelling building existing or under construction on the same lot or any adjacent lot.
- In the case of a corner lot adjacent to a reversed frontage lot, accessory buildings shall not project beyond the front yard required or existing on the adjacent reversed frontage lot.
- Exception. Portable storage sheds are exempt from setback requirements when placed in the rear yard. The required minimum setback from the front property line and/or street side yard property lines (for corner lots) must be maintained.
- A shed is considered portable when it meets the following criteria and does not need a building permit:
 - Freestanding, moveable, and has no permanent foundation.
 - Less than 120 square feet in area
 - Building height, no greater than 8 feet
 - Does not contain plumbing or electrical installations.
- Contact the Building Division at 925-779-7065 or building@antiochca.gov for Building Permit information and requirements.

