

## BUNKHOUSE REQUIREMENTS

The Building Division requires the following documentation to ensure that all bunkhouses for seasonal farm workers meet the requirements of the Ontario Building Code and applicable Zoning By-laws, and is safe for all workers.

Examples:



**Bunkhouse – Farm House**



**Bunkhouse - Trailer**

### REQUIREMENTS:

1. A “change of use” permit is required to change any existing dwelling to a bunkhouse for seasonal farm workers;
2. A building permit is required to bring a trailer on site to be used as bunkhouse for seasonal farm workers; the trailer must qualify to standard CSA-Z240 for safety and anchorage
3. A floor plan showing the layout of the house/trailer to be used as a bunkhouse; and
4. A septic evaluation by a certified installer where existing septic system is to service the bunkhouse to ensure existing septic system is in good working order.  
(Note: A septic application must be submitted for any new septic system, or for any repair or upgrades to an existing septic system.)
5. An affidavit stating that:
  - a) the dwelling on the property will be used as a seasonal bunkhouse (where applicable);
  - b) the workers residing in a bunkhouse will be employed on the farm where the bunkhouse is located; and
  - c) the bunkhouse will not be used as a principal residence for the workers

Upon receiving a Building Permit application for a bunkhouse, the Building Division will notify the Health Department and the Fire Department for their information.