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## **Agricultural Exemptions and Requirements**

**Building code definition: 2021 IBC section 202** 

**[BG] AGRICULTURAL BUILDING** A structure designed and constructed to house farm implements, hay, grain, poultry, livestock or other horticultural products. This structure shall not be a place of human habitation or a place of employment where agricultural products are processed, treated or packaged, nor shall it be a place used by the public.

Pueblo County Code, Title 15 – Buildings and Construction, Chapter 15.52 – Residential Code Adopted, 15.52.050 Exemption.

Pursuant to C.R.S. § 30-28-201(1), 12-115-107(2) and 12-155-106, except for provisions addressing electrical and plumbing matters, buildings or structures used for the sole purpose of providing shelter for agricultural implements, farm products, livestock, or poultry are exempted from the Code. All provisions of the Code apply to agricultural buildings and structures unless expressly exempted from the Code. (Res. 23-130 § 5)

While this exemption allows for the construction of an Ag Building without the need for a building permit the structure must still be <u>registered</u> and <u>recorded</u> by the building department and the appropriate planning and zoning authority. This is done by completing an approved project routing sheet issued by PRBD and providing a site plan.

At the time an Agricultural Building is registered with the Pueblo Regional Building Department, the owner of the property must state the use of that structure to the department.

The structure will be listed and recorded to be used for one of the following:

- 1- Livestock, poultry
- 2- Hay, Grain, Storage
- 3- Wash down area with or without dust
- 4- Farm Implements

These categories shall be recorded at the time of AG building registration for reference to which NEC wiring methods are required should the structure be wired for electric at any time.

Any work including mechanical (heating or cooling), plumbing and electrical must be permitted by PRBD and inspected to meet code requirements.