## **BACKYARD SHEDS & GAZEBOS**

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### Site Preparation Guide

\*Please read carefully and consider all the information before picking a shed site\*

When purchasing a building you are contracting with Backyard Sheds to deliver to your site a fully assembled unit. This is accomplished by driving a pickup truck and trailer loaded with the unit onto your property. We do our utmost not to cause damage to our customers' property, but there are times when it does happen! Please read *Property Damage Waiver* carefully then sign it.

#### What to consider when deciding on location:

- 1) What will be the primary purpose of your new shed?
- 2) Will you need access daily, weekly, monthly?
- 3) Will you be using your shed for storage, workshop, gardening?
- a) storage usually does not have to be close to the house.
- b) workshop do you need electricity in the shed or near it?
- c) potting shed is the water source near?

Your site should be as flat as possible, with good drainage. Things like rocks, stumps, tree roots, sprinkler heads all should be removed from the area. Hills and sloping terrain also should be considered. Please walk your property like you're driving a truck 14' high and whatever width your shed is plus 4'. If you have a question about access, Backyard Sheds will send someone out to look at the site. This is done when we are in the area so please mark off your desired shed location, contact us with the shed size and style you have chosen, then we'll take a look and let you know. If access is not possible we can arrange for build on site construction. This option will run a bit more but it will get a shed to the site you choose when no access is available.

#### Accessibility:

You will need to pick a location that is accessible to our truck and trailer. Truck and trailer are 8'6" wide, the shed will be the widest thing coming into your yard, and normally we will need 4' more for clearance. You must consider things such as:

- $\rightarrow$  Trees, limbs, wires, fences, wet areas, septic tanks, and plantings.
- $\rightarrow$  Height requirements will be from 10' to 13'6" depending on shed purchased.

- → Some low wires can be pushed up ( phone and cable) Heavy electric lines are more difficult.
- → Tree limbs should be trimmed prior to delivery.
- → Fences can be removed and replaced although there will be an additional charge for this service. You might want the original installer to do this work, they know how the fence was installed and that information helps when taking it down.
- → Wet areas, septic tanks, plantings: These problems can usually be taken care of with some common sense. If the ground is soft we wait for a day, it's hard plantings can be removed by you if you're worried about them.

#### Leveling:

#### Doing Your Own Prep:

Your best way of leveling a shed is a bed of crushed stone. Just 2-4 inches will do a world of good to keep your shed level, dry and stable. The pad should be up to 2' more than the size of the shed. Crusher run blue stone is best, please do not use pea stone or bank run, as it does not stay where put and it allows the 4x4's to sink into stone. The key to a good stone pad is getting it level. Laser levels, string lines, level and 2x4 whatever method used, get it level! In the case of larger sheds we will have to drive onto the pad with the trailer, so a tamped pad is best.

Having Prep Professionally Done:

Backyard Sheds can coordinate a stone pad by Mike's Stone Pads to install a stone pad for you. Please see price sheet for information

#### Permits:

All towns require a permit for shed installation, some towns allow up to a certain size without charging you for a permit. Most will charge and have certain criteria you must comply with. Backyard Sheds can give you basic guidelines but you will have to check with your local building department for exact requirements. <u>PERMITS ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE LAND OWNER</u>.

\*See price sheet on next page

# Mike`s Stone Pads

*"we are on the level"* 2024 Stone Pad Pricing

8x8	\$525	10x14	\$725	12x18	\$875
8x10	\$550	10x16	\$800	12x20	\$975
8x12	\$575	10x18	\$825	12x22	\$1,025
8x14	\$600	10x20	\$850	12x24	\$1,100
8x16	\$625	12x12	\$750	12x26	\$1,200
10x10	\$675	12x14	\$800	12x28	\$1,300
10x12	\$700	12x16	\$825	12x30	\$1,400

Stone pads are priced taking into consideration that your ground is within 6" of level. Price will increase for ground that is in need of additional stone to become level. if additional load of stone is required there will be an additional \$250 charge 8x10-10x14 prices include one load of stone 10x16-12x24 prices include 2 loads of stone

if stone needs to be wheelbarrowed to the pad location there will be a \$200 charge added



Please consider your location choice: Is it dry? Is it level? Does it have access for truck and trailer Is it convenient to house?

Backyard Sheds will coordinate any stone pads. Please contact them directly 518-767-2671



Would you like extra stone under your ramp? Ask us about pricing!