

Class D

The erection or construction of a porch outside any external door of a dwelling house.

Porch

Adding a porch to any external door of your house is considered to be permitted development, not requiring an application for planning permission, provided the following limits and conditions are met.

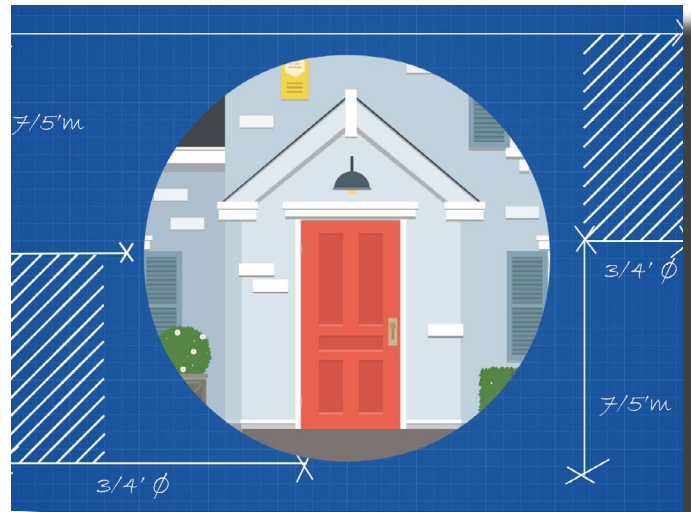
This guide offers a step-by-step walk-through of those limits and conditions.

- 1) A porch can be constructed outside an external door of a house providing that the ground area of the porch, measured externally, does not exceed three square metres.
- 2) A porch can be constructed outside an external door of a house providing that the highest part of the porch not to exceed three metres.
- 3) A porch can be constructed outside an external door of a house providing that no part of the porch is within two metres of any boundary that fronts a highway.

Important information

The permitted development allowances described here apply to houses, not flats, maisonettes or other buildings. You should check with your Local Planning Authority whether permitted development rights apply – they may have been removed by what are known as Article 4 directions. Other consents may be required if your house is listed or in a designated area.

When planning work you should read all the advice on the Planning Portal under '[Your responsibilities - Other considerations before you start work](#)'. As well as other important information you will find guidance here on the permitted development regime.



Wales

This guidance relates to the planning regime for England. Policy in Wales may differ. Contact your local planning authority for further information.

Building regulations

Building a porch at ground level and under 30 square metres in floor area is normally exempt from building regulations provided they meet a number of conditions. For more information [read Planning Portal online guidance](#).

Installation, alteration or replacement of a chimney, flue or soil and vent pipe
[Read guidance on the permitted development regime under Class G.](#)

This is not a definitive source of information. If you are in any doubt you should contact your Local Authority before undertaking any work. [Read the full disclaimer](#)

