

# Accessory Dwelling Units

## Newly Relaxed Zoning Regulations\*

Sonoma County now makes it **easier** to build Accessory Units in unincorporated Sonoma County! See [Ordinance 6191](#) for complete details.



### Existing

- ◆ Allowed in residential and agricultural zones
- ◆ One accessory unit per parcel
- ◆ 2 acre minimum lot size
- ◆ No short-term rentals
- ◆ Z overlay still applies

### What's New?

- ◆ Unit size of up to 1,000 sq. ft. allowed
- ◆ Simpler, faster process
- ◆ Smaller units of up to 640 sq. ft. allowed on lots between 1.5 and 2 acres
- ◆ Smaller lot size of 5,000 sq. ft. allowed in urban areas
- ◆ Some setbacks reduced
- ◆ No appeals
- ◆ No Use Permits

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\*New regulations do not apply in the coastal zone