

Key Installation Considerations

To avoid any extra cost and keep the shed within our standard pricing try to decide what size, style and location will work best for you. Determine how these decisions will affect the overall look of your property, keeping in mind the following:

- Pick a location within 100 feet (30 metres) from the unloading point to the building site
- Have the site as level as possible, we cannot excavate but we allow for 2"-3" of levelling
- Have as much room around the shed as possible – 24" is ideal, which is often the standard set-back distance stipulated by most municipal by-laws. A greater set-back distance may be required for pool cabanas.
- In most municipalities you are allowed 10 square meters or 110 square feet of the outside dimensions of the walls. Any structures larger than 110 square feet may require a building permit; it is advisable to check with the local authorities.
- The average set-back from the property line to the wall of any shed is normally 24".

When in doubt, check with your local zoning office.

Another point to consider is what kind of base will work the best for you. We do not recommend just laying the patio stones on the grass, your shed will probably settle and sink out of level.

- Patio stones bedded in gravel is inexpensive and works quite well.
- A concrete pad works well for pool cabanas with pool equipment that have buried water, gas and electrical lines coming up into the inside of the structure. This kind of base is also the best for larger sheds and garages
- Concrete filled sono tubes or piers may work best if you have a sloping grade issue and cannot or do not want to pour a concrete pad. They would work well as a foundation for any size shed.

For additional information on ways to support your new structure please refer to our printable [Shed Foundation links](#) listed on the page entitled [Specs. & Install Details](#).