

Accessory Buildings

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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QUICK FACTS:

Accessory Buildings can be:

- ❖ Garages
- ❖ Sheds
- ❖ Greenhouses
- ❖ Swimming Pools
- ❖ Shops
- ❖ Pole Sheds
- ❖ Barns
- ❖ Carports
- ❖ Seacans etc.



Accessory Buildings in Residential Districts

- Accessory buildings include storage sheds, detached garages and carports, greenhouses, decks, swimming pools or other similar uses or buildings.
- Cannot be used as a dwelling.
- Shall not be located in the “front yard” (past the front line of the Principle Building (i.e. house)).
- Maximum allowable size is dependent on the district.
- Height cannot exceed the height of the Principle Building.
- Setbacks:
 - 0.9m (3ft) from any side lot line
 - 1.5m (5ft) from the back lot line
 - Overhanging eaves cannot be less than 0.6m (2ft) from any lot line.
- All garages and carports shall be located a minimum of 6m (20ft) from any lot line where the access into the garage doors faces that lot line.

Accessory Buildings in Non-Residential Districts

- Cannot be used as a dwelling
- Height cannot exceed 10.5m (34.5ft)
 - Exceptions for church steeples, towers, chimneys etc.
- Setbacks:
 - 6m (20ft) from any side lot line
 - 7.6m (25ft) from the back lot line
- Commercial, Business & Industrial Parks' setbacks shall be consistent with an approved Site Development Plan (SDP) or Area Structure Plan (ASP)
- 2 seacans are allowed in the Agriculture (A) district without a development permit. More than 2 requires a permit.

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Accessory Building is defined as “a building that is separate and subordinate to the Main Building, the Use of which is incidental to the Main Building and is located on the same lot.

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