

SECTION 1 - TITLE

This By-law shall be known as the

Zoning By-law  
of the  
Town of Acton

SECTION 2 - DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this By-law the definitions and interpretations given in this section shall govern.

2.1 "Accessory" when used to describe a building or structure shall mean a subordinate building or structure located on the same lot with the main building; and shall mean a use customarily incidental to the main use and on the same lot;

2.2 "Animal Hospital" or "Veterinary Establishment" shall mean a building or structure used by a veterinarian to examine, treat, or perform surgery on animals or birds or for treatment.

2.3 "Automobile Service Station" shall mean a building or place where gasoline, oil, grease, antifreeze, tires, tubes, tire accessories, electric light bulbs, sparkplugs and batteries for motor vehicles are stored or kept for sale, or where motor vehicles may be checked, greased or washed or have their ignition adjusted, tires inflated or batteries charged, or where only minor or routine repairs essential to the actual operation of motor vehicles are effected or performed.

2.4 "Automotive Trade" shall mean a use conducted on an open site or within an enclosed building for the repair, servicing, sale or offering for sale of motor vehicles and accessories and accessories for motor vehicles.

2.5 "Block" shall mean an area of land surrounded by streets;

2.6 "Boarding or Lodging House" shall mean a dwelling in which the proprietor supplies for gain lodging with or without meals, but does not include a hotel, hospital, children's home, home for the aged or other establishment otherwise classed, listed or defined in this By-law;

2.7 "Building Height" shall mean the vertical distance between the established grade and in the case of a flat roof, the highest point of the roof surface or parapet wall, or in the case of a mansard roof the deck line, or in the case of a gabled, hip or gambrel roof, the mean height level between eaves and ridges;

2.8 "Building, Main" shall mean a building in which the principal use of the lot on which it is situated is conducted. In any residential zone a building containing one or more dwelling units shall be deemed to be a main building on the lot on which it is situated;

2.9 "Business Office" shall mean any building or part of a building in which one or more persons are employed in the management, direction or control of any agency, business, brokerage, or labour organization, and shall include a telephone office, messenger plant and a radio or television broadcasting station, studio or theatre;

2.10 "Car Washing Establishment" shall mean a building exclusively intended for washing or cleaning motor vehicles for gain;

2.11 "Church" shall mean a building dedicated to religious worship and may include Sunday schools;

2.12 "Clinic" shall mean a building in which public or private medical, surgical, physiotherapeutic or other services related to human health are

provided, except where these services are accessory to a public or private hospital;

2.13 "Commercial School" shall mean a school conducted for the purpose of economic gain, other than a private academic or religious school, and includes the studio of a dancing or music teacher, an art school, a golf school, a school of calligraphy, a business or trade school and any other such specialized school conducted for economic gain;

2.14 "Commercial Garage" shall mean a building in which major repairs are carried out on motor vehicles;

2.15 "Community Hall" shall mean a premises offered for use or used as a place of public assembly or where the premises are offered for hire or where a fee is charged for a collection made for the entrance, entertainment or otherwise, but shall not include premises used solely for religious purposes nor a theatre within the meaning of the Theatres and Cinemas Act;

2.16 "Corporation" shall mean the Corporation of the Town of Acton;

2.17 "Council" shall mean the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Acton;

2.18 "Custom Workshop" shall mean a building where there is carried on a substantial custom production of garments and suit covers, residential blinds, hand-made leather goods, millinery, glass blowing, orthopedic and prosthetic appliances, drug and medical prescriptions, weaving, awnings, metal plating, gold and silver engraving and other non-offensive, non-dangerous custom production of any article or thing, but does not include any factory production or any shop or factory otherwise classified or defined in this By-law;

2.19 "Department Store" shall mean the use of an enclosed building in which various types of commodities are kept for retail sale in separate parts of the one building on two or more floors;

2.20 "Dwelling Unit" shall mean a separate set of living premises, designed for occupancy by one family for living and sleeping purposes, but does not include a hotel, or boarding or lodging house;

2.21 "Dwelling Apartment" shall mean a separate building containing more than four (4) dwelling units and shall not include a multiple-attached dwelling;

2.22 "Dwelling, Duplex" shall mean the whole of a two storey building divided horizontally into two separate dwelling units, each of which has an independent entrance;

2.23 "Dwelling, Double Duplex" shall mean two attached duplex dwellings;

2.24 "Dwelling, Detached" shall mean the whole of a building containing one dwelling unit only;

2.25 "Dwelling, Semi-Detached" shall mean the whole of a building divided vertically into two separate dwelling units;

2.26 "Dwelling, Multiple Attached" shall mean a building containing not less than three non-communitating one or two storey one-family dwelling units divided vertically, having a common wall between each two adjacent dwelling units;

2.27 "Dwelling Unit Area" shall mean the floor area of a dwelling unit measured to include all the walls of the dwelling unit;

2.28 "Eating Establishment" shall mean a building or part of a building where food is prepared and offered for sale or sold to the public for immediate consumption therein, but not including the

2.29 "Erect" shall mean (with reference to a building or structure) construct, build or assemble and shall include enlargement, relocation and any physical operations preparatory to construction or reconstruction;

2.30 "Established Grade" shall mean the average elevation of the finished grade adjoining the front wall of a building, exclusive of any embankment, in lieu of steps; and in a commercial district, shall mean the average elevation of the sidewalk, in front of the lot on which the building stands;

2.31 "Existing" shall mean existing as of the date of the passing of this By-law;

2.32 "Family" shall mean one person or two or more persons who are interrelated by bonds of consanguinity, marriage or legal adoption, or a group of persons occupying, with or without one or more domestic servants, a dwelling unit;

2.33 "Floor Area" shall mean the total floor space on one or more floors, contained within and including all the walls of a building or structure, and excluding any basement or cellar; and in the case of a dwelling including any porch, verandah, sun-room, or private garage;

2.34 "Fuel Storage" shall mean a tank for the bulk storage of petroleum, gasoline, fuel, oil, gas or inflammable liquid or fluid but does not include a container for inflammable liquid or fluid legally and properly kept in a retail store or tank for storage merely incidental to some other use of the premises where such tank is located;

2.35 "Garage Privilege" shall mean a building or part thereof, including a carport used for the storage of a private passenger motor vehicle, but not a commercial vehicle and wherein servicing for profit is not conducted;

2.36 "Ground Floor Area" shall mean the area of that portion of a lot occupied by a building or structure, exclusive of any verandah, porch, sun-room or private garage;

2.37 "Home Occupation" shall mean any use customarily conducted entirely within a dwelling and carried on by inhabitants thereof, which use is clearly incidental and does not change the character thereof or have any exterior evidence of such secondary use. There shall be no display, no stock in trade, no commodity sold upon the premises, no person employed except such as is necessary for householding purposes. It shall include the office of a dentist, physician, chiropractor or chiropodist, but a clinic, a hospital, barber shop, a beauty parlor, a tea room and an animal hospital shall not be deemed home occupations;

2.38 "Hull Storey" shall mean that portion of a building situated within the roof or having its floor level not lower than four (4) feet below the line where the roof and other walls meet and having a roof not steeper than fifty-five degrees above the horizontal;

2.39 "Heraldry" shall mean after the date of the passing of this By-law;

2.40 "Heraldry" shall mean in this By-law and shall not be limited to any particular section of this By-law;

2.41 "Hotel" shall mean a building or part of a building which contains a general kitchen, a dining room and other rooms open to the public, which may include a tavern or public house, as defined in Section 2.72, and the remaining rooms of which

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