
ARTICLE 1: CITATION AND PURPOSE

SECTION 1.00 PURPOSE

- A. To promote the health, safety, convenience and the general welfare of the inhabitants of the Town of Foxborough as authorized by Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws (MGL) and amendments thereto, the construction, alteration, location and use of all lands and structures within the Town of Foxborough are hereby regulated as provided in these zoning regulations and restrictions, hereinafter referred to as these By-laws.

SECTION 1.01 REGULATIONS

- A. These By-Laws are designed to lessen congestion in the streets; to conserve health; to secure safety from fire, flood, panic and other dangers; to provide adequate light and air; to prevent overcrowding of land; to avoid undue concentration of population; to encourage housing for persons of all income levels; to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, water, water supply, drainage, sewerage, schools, parks, open space and other public requirements; to conserve the value of land and buildings, including the conservation of natural resources and the prevention of blight and pollution of the environment; to encourage the most appropriate use of land throughout the Town of Foxborough, and to preserve and increase amenities by the promulgation of regulations to fulfill said objectives. These regulations shall include but are not limited to restricting, prohibiting, permitting or regulating:
1. uses of land, including wetlands and lands deemed subject to seasonal or periodic flooding;
 2. size, height, bulk, location and use of structures, including buildings and signs except that billboards, signs and other advertising devices are also subject to the provisions of Sections 29 through 33, inclusive, of Chapter 93, and to Chapter 93D, MGL;
 3. uses of bodies of water, including water courses;
 4. noxious uses;
 5. areas of land and bodies of water to be occupied by uses and structures, courts, yards and open spaces;
 6. density of population and intensity of use;
 7. accessory facilities and uses, such as vehicle parking and loading, landscaping and open space; and
 8. the development of the natural, scenic and aesthetic qualities of the community.
- B. Requirements Not Addressed in These By-Laws
1. All gravel removal operations shall only be authorized by the Board of Selectmen pursuant to the Town's Revised Earth Removal By-Law.
 2. All operations governed by Chapter 131, MGL, The Wetlands Protection, shall also require the authorization of the Conservation Commission pursuant to the Foxborough Wetlands Protection By-Law.
 3. All requests for demolition permits shall comply with the provisions of the Demolition By-Law per Section 10 of the Foxborough General By-Laws.
 4. All operations conducted on roads designated as "scenic" shall comply with the provisions of the Scenic Roads By-Law, per Section 11 of the Foxborough General By-Laws.