

SECTION 18 - GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR COMMERCIAL ZONES

18.1 COMMERCIAL ZONES

The following Zones are hereby classified as Commercial Zones to which the provisions of this Section apply:

ZONE	SYMBOL
Local Commercial	C1
General Commercial	C2
Central Business District Commercial	C2A
Highway Commercial	C3
Automobile Service Station	C4
Recreational Commercial	C5
Shopping Centre Commercial	C6
Rural Commercial	C7

18.2 REGULATIONS FOR DWELLING UNITS PERMITTED IN COMMERCIAL ZONES C1, C2, C2A, C3, C5 and C7

- (a) Minimum Lot Area Per Dwelling Unit - 700 sq. m. or such larger area as required by the Niagara Regional Health Service Department for those lands outside of the Urban Area Boundary.
- (b) Location - In the same building as the permitted commercial use(s) and in other than the basement, cellar or ground floor of any building, except that:
- (i) a dwelling unit may be located on the ground floor of a motel, hotel or motor hotel.
 - (ii) a dwelling unit not be located in combination with one or more of the following uses:
 - car wash
 - automobile service station
 - public garage
 - bingo hall
 - taxi establishment
 - dry cleaning plants
 - motor vehicle sales rooms and car sales lots
- (c) Minimum Floor Area Per Dwelling Unit - The minimum floor area per dwelling unit shall be in accordance with the following table:-

<u>Type of Dwelling Unit</u>	<u>Minimum Floor Area</u>
Bachelor unit	40 square metres
One-bedroom unit	50 square metres
Two-bedroom unit	60 square metres
three or more bedrooms	70 square metres

- (d) Minimum Parking Requirements - In addition to the minimum number of parking spaces required for the principal use of the lot, a minimum of one parking space per dwelling unit shall be provided on the same lot.
- (e) Residential Access - Each dwelling unit shall have a separate and private entrance from the outside or a common hallway.
- (f) Residential Open Space - A minimum of 18.5 sq. m. of open area shall be provided for the exclusive use of each dwelling unit either at the ground level or on the roof of the first storey. Such open area shall not be used for the parking of vehicles or for the provision of loading space.

18.3 REGULATIONS FOR ACCESSORY BUILDINGS

Location	In rear yard only
Minimum Distance from Any Other Building on the Lot	3m provided that in no case shall any overhang, eaves or gutter project into this required minimum area which shall be clear of any obstruction from the ground to the sky
Maximum Lot Coverage	7 percent provided that the lot coverage of all buildings on the lot shall not exceed the maximum lot coverage for a permitted use in the C1, C2, C2A, C3, C4, C5, C6 and C7 zones
Minimum Exterior Side Yard	7.5m
Minimum Interior Side Yard	0.5m 3m for a lot line that abuts a residential zone
Minimum Rear Yard	0.5m 3m for a lot line that abuts a residential zone In no case shall any overhang, eaves or gutter project more than 0.3 metre into any required minimum yard
Maximum Height	4.5 metres

18.4 OUTSIDE STORAGE IN COMMERCIAL ZONES

No outside storage shall be permitted in any commercial zone. All storage shall be provided within the main building or approved accessory buildings on the site.

18.5 DRIVE-THRU LANES

- a) Drive-thru restaurants shall have a drive-thru lane measuring a minimum of 3m in width and 60m in length, and providing on-site storage for a minimum of ten vehicles.
- b) Any other use with drive-thru facilities shall have on-site vehicle storage for a minimum of two automobiles at each drive-thru window in a stacking lane at least 3m in width and 12m in length.
- c) The stacking lane shall be independent of any on-site parking, parking maneuvering areas, loading areas, landscaped areas, public streets, alley or traffic ways serving other on and/or off-site uses.
- d) Notwithstanding the requirements of Section 6.21, a landscaped strip having a minimum width of 3m shall be provided around the outer edges of the drive-thru lane for a minimum distance equal to the length of the stacking required for the drive-thru facility. The landscape strip shall contain 80mm min. caliper evergreen or deciduous trees planted 5m on-centre, interspersed with shrubs planted 1m on-centre.
- e) No drive-thru facilities including drive-thru lanes shall be permitted closer than 10m to any lot line where the abutting lot contains a residential use on the first or second floor.