



frequently asked QUESTIONS

When is a Development Permit Required?

The carrying out of works of improvement, maintenance or renovation to any building provided that such works include structural alterations or additions and that the works comply with the regulations of Land Use Bylaw #123/13. This would include items like: buildings over 120 sq. ft., decks, driveways, intensive landscaping, fences (depending on height), signs, hot tubs/pools/ponds, and home occupations, etc.

What Does Parcel Coverage Mean?

Parcel coverage means the total percentage of the parcel area covered by buildings or structures, including but not limited to the main building and any additions to it (e.g. covered decks), hard-surfaced parking facilities, driveways, outdoor storage and display areas, hard landscaped areas and all other impervious surfaces but does not include steps, eaves, or similar projections permitted in Land Use Bylaw #123/13.

In the residential district, the maximum parcel coverage is 50%. This means all impervious surfaces is maximum 50% of the total parcel's area.

What is Considered Hard Landscaping?

Hard landscaping means the use of non-vegetative material, such as but not limited to monolithic concrete or asphalt.

What do you need to Know about Drainage?

Drainage ditch(s) means a long narrow trench or furrow dug in the ground to accommodate over-land drainage (i.e. rain/storm water).

All parcels shall be graded to ensure that storm water is directed to a drainage ditch without crossing adjacent land, except as permitted by the Development Authority.

Where the road storm drainage flow will be impacted by the construction of a driveway, at the discretion of the Development Authority, driveways shall contain culverts and be graded to the satisfaction of the municipality.