

## Impervious Surfaces

Impervious surfaces are composed of any material that impedes or prevents natural infiltration of water into soil. Impervious surfaces shall include, but are not limited to roofs, decks, driveways, patios, sidewalks, parking areas, concrete or asphalt streets or compacted gravel surfaces.

## Impervious Surface Standards

Impervious surface standards are established to protect water quality and fish and wildlife habitat and to protect against pollution of navigable waters. Impervious surface standards apply to the construction, reconstruction, expansion, replacement or relocation of any impervious surface on a riparian lot or parcel and any non-riparian lot or parcel that is located entirely within 300 feet of the ordinary high-water mark of any navigable waterway.

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*This handout summarizes requirements for Impervious Surfaces but it is not all inclusive. Please contact Department Staff with specific questions regarding your project.*



Also see:

- Shoreland & Wetland Zoning Permit Quick Facts
- Mitigation Quick Facts

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