

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION GUIDELINES

- 1. Setbacks** – Check township ordinance for setback requirements in designated zones. For accessory use structures only, the rear yard shall be considered that area between the back part of the dwelling and the rear property line. Consideration should be taken in placement of the accessory structure if future expansion of the dwelling into the rear yard is a possibility.
- 2. Building Size** – Please refer to the attached Zoning ordinance for maximum area/size for an accessory use structure. The maximum height for an accessory use structure is 15 feet from grade to the highest part of the roof. Larger accessory use structures may be conditionally permitted in some residential zoning districts.
- 3. Foundation** – The foundation may be a concrete slab with turned-down footings or decay resistant wood. Concrete having a 3500 pound strength and air entrainment should be specified. Concrete slabs must be a minimum thickness of 3 ½ inches. The perimeter of the slab shall be 12 inches thick for an 8 inch to 12 inch width. Within the thickened perimeter of the slab, two #4 rebar should be installed to be continuous around the perimeter. If the slab rests on fill, it should be reinforced with #4 rebar 2 feet on center or 6inch X 6 inch welded wire mesh. All Accessory structures must be anchored into the ground a minimum of 12”.
- 4. Walls** - Bottom plate shall be of at least the same width as the wall studs. Wall studs shall be a minimum 2 X 4 and space maximum 24 inches on center, with three wall studs at each exterior corner. Wall studs shall be capped with double top plates overlapped at corners and end joints offset at least 24 inches. Structural wall sheathing is recommended. Headers must have at least one trimmer stud under each end. Headers over 5 feet shall have a minimum of two trimmer studs under each end. Headers for openings greater than 8 feet shall be approved by the Building Department. (Consider pre-engineered laminated veneer lumbers for openings greater than 6 feet.)
- 5. Roofs** – Manufactured roof trusses are highly recommended. If hand framed rafters are used, the size of the rafter is determined by the span and spacing of the rafter. Lumber used in construction of rafters must be at least 2 X 4 in dimension. Roof sheathing must be of approved span rated sheathing.

All residential construction shall meet the minimum requirements of the Township Ordinances.

TYPE OF IMPROVEMENT:

New Construction Addition Remodel Demolition Move Repair Miscellaneous Temporary

PERMIT FOR:

Single Family Dwelling Two Family Dwelling (Separate Permit for each Unit) Townhouse (Units)
 Accessory Building Deck Residing Lower Level Finish
 Other (Please Explain:)

BUILDING/STRUCTURE SIZE:

Width Ft. Depth Ft. Height Ft. No. of Stories Basement Finished Yes No
Basement Floor Area SF Number of Bedrooms
Main Floor Area SF Number of Bedrooms
Second Floor Area SF Number of Bedrooms
Third Floor Area SF Number of Bedrooms
Garage Floor Area SF

# of Units	HVAC EQUIPMENT	TON'S/BTU's

BUILDING LOCATION ON SITE:

Property Zoning Designation Property Area SF
North Property Setback Distance Ft. Front Side Rear Adjacent to Public Way
East Property Setback Distance Ft. Front Side Rear Adjacent to Public Way
South Property Setback Distance Ft. Front Side Rear Adjacent to Public Way
West Property Setback Distance Ft. Front Side Rear Adjacent to Public Way

REQUIREMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTION IN FLOODPLAIN:

Is the Building Located in the Special Floodplain Hazard area? Yes No (If yes complete the following)
Base Flood Elevation Ft. Flood Protection Elevation Ft. Letter of Map Revision Issued Yes No
Acknowledgement Form Submitted Yes No

For Office Use Only

Septic Permit Required:

Yes No

Planning and Zoning Approval:

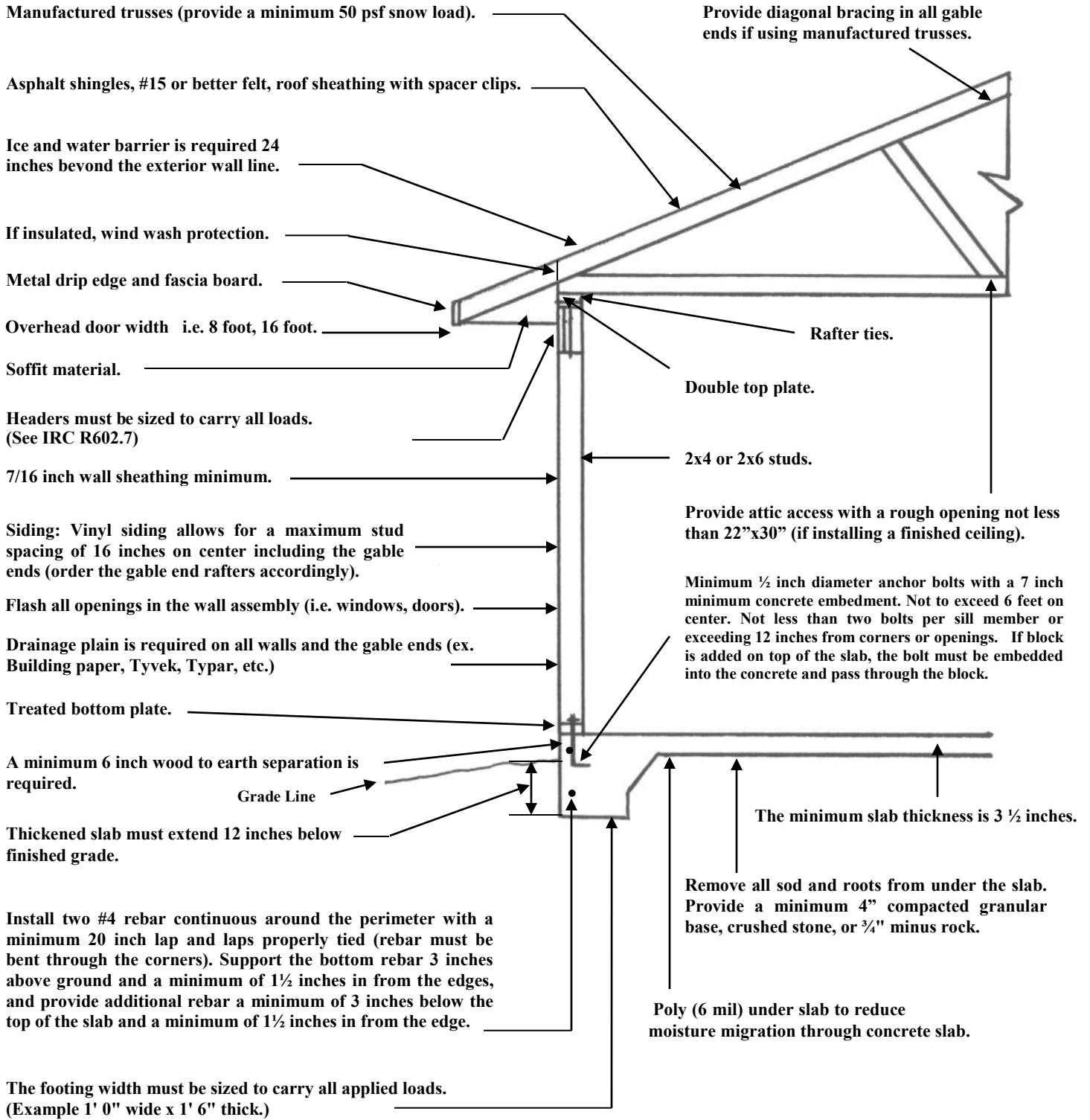
P.U.D. Yes No Conditional Use Yes No Overlay District Yes No
Date Approved

I hereby acknowledge that this application is not a Building Permit, nor does it authorize the start of construction. If you do not wish to electronically sign please print and sign application before submittal

Signature of Applicant

Date

Single Family Residential Accessory Structure on a Floating Slab – Example



Please provide information on the reverse side of this sheet as it applies to your project.

