



Zoning Resolution

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24-67 - Permitted Obstructions in Courts

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In all districts, as indicated, the obstructions permitted for any #yard# set forth in Section [23-311](#) (Permitted obstructions in all yards, courts and open areas), as well as the following, shall not be considered obstructions when located within a #court#. For the purposes of applying such allowances to #courts#, all percentage calculations shall be applied to the area of the #court# instead of the #yard#:

- (a) #Energy infrastructure equipment# and #accessory# mechanical equipment, subject to the requirements set forth in paragraph (g) of Section [23-312](#);
- (b) Fences;
- (c) Fire escapes in #inner courts#, where such fire escapes are required as a result of alterations in #buildings# existing before December 15, 1961;

Fire escapes in #outer courts#;

Fire escapes in #outer court recesses#, not more than five feet in depth;

Fire escapes in #outer court recesses#, more than five feet in depth, where such fire escapes are required as a result of alterations in #buildings# existing before December 15, 1961;

- (d) Recreational or yard drying equipment;

(e) Steps.

In addition, for #courts# at a level higher than the first #story#, decks, skylights, parapet walls, roof thickness, solar energy systems up to four feet high, vegetated roofs, and weirs, as set forth in Section [24-51](#) (Permitted Obstructions), shall be permitted.