



Zoning Resolution

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23-44 - Special Provisions for Certain Areas

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23-441 - Special tower provisions

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The tower provisions of Section [23-435](#) shall be modified in certain areas, as follows:

- (a) In R9D and R10X Districts, the minimum #lot coverage# of a tower above the maximum base height shall be 33 percent of the #lot area# of the #zoning lot#. However, any #story# located within the highest 15 percent of the tower may cover less than 33 percent of the #lot area# of a #zoning lot# provided that the gross area of any such #story# does not exceed 90 percent of the gross area of that #story# located directly below the highest 15 percent of the tower.
- (b) In R9 or R10 districts without a letter suffix, the following tower-on-a-base provisions shall apply to #buildings# where:
 - (1) more than 25 percent of the #floor area# is #residential#; and
 - (2) such #building# is located on a #zoning lot# that fronts upon a #wide street# and is either within 125 feet from such #wide street# frontage along the #short dimension of a block# or within 100 feet from such #wide street# frontage along the long dimension of

the #block#.

The minimum #lot coverage# of a tower above the maximum base height shall be 30 percent of the #lot area# of the #zoning lot#. However, any #story# located within the highest 15 percent of the tower may cover less than 30 percent of the #lot area# of a #zoning lot# provided that the gross area of any such #story# does not exceed 90 percent of the gross area of that #story# located directly below the highest 15 percent of the tower.

At least 55 percent of the total #floor area# permitted on the #zoning lot# shall be located in #stories# located either partially or entirely below a height of 150 feet. When the #lot coverage# of the tower portion is less than 40 percent, the required 55 percent of the total #floor area# distribution, within a height of 150 feet, shall be increased in accordance with the following requirement:

| Percent of #lot coverage# of the tower portion | Minimum percent of total #building# #floor area# distribution below the level of 150 feet |
|---|--|
| 40.0 or greater | 55.0 |
| 39.0 to 39.9 | 55.5 |
| 38.0 to 38.9 | 56.0 |
| 37.0 to 37.9 | 56.5 |
| 36.0 to 36.9 | 57.0 |

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| 35.0 to 35.9 | 57.5 |
| 34.0 to 34.9 | 58.0 |
| 33.0 to 33.9 | 58.5 |
| 32.0 to 32.9 | 59.0 |
| 31.0 to 31.9 | 59.5 |
| 30.0 to 30.9 | 60.0 |

For the purposes of determining the permitted tower coverage and the required minimum distance between #buildings# or portions thereof, that portion of a #zoning lot# located within 125 feet from the #wide street# frontage along the short dimension of a #block# shall be treated as if it were a separate #zoning lot#.

No tower or portion thereof shall be located on a #narrow street# at a distance that is more than 100 feet from the intersection with a #wide street#.

- (c) No towers shall be permitted on any #building# located wholly or partly in a #Residence District#, that is within 100 feet of a #public park# with an area of one acre or more, or a #street line# opposite such a #public park#.

(a) Borough of Manhattan

(1) Community District 9

In R8 Districts without a letter suffix in the portion of Community District 9 in the Borough of Manhattan located north of West 125th Street, the underlying height and setback regulations for the zoning district shall apply, except that the additional height allowances for eligible sites set forth in Section 23-434 shall not apply.

(2) Community District 6

In Community District 6 in the Borough of Manhattan, in R10 Districts located east of First Avenue and north of East 51st Street, for #buildings# where more than 25 percent of the #floor area# is #residential# but are not otherwise subject to the tower-on-a-base provisions of paragraph (b) of this Section, the following shall apply.

The minimum #lot coverage# of a tower above the maximum base height shall be 30 percent of the #lot area# of the #zoning lot#. However, any #story# located within the highest 15 percent of the tower may cover less than 30 percent of the #lot area# of a #zoning lot# if the gross area of any such #story# does not exceed 90 percent of the gross area of that #story# directly below the highest 15 percent of the tower.

At least 45 percent of the total #floor area# permitted on the #zoning lot# shall be located in #stories# located either partially or entirely below a height of 150 feet. In addition, when the #lot coverage# of the tower is less than 40 percent, the required 45 percent of the total #floor area# distribution, within a height of 150 feet, shall be

increased in accordance with the following requirement:

| Percent of #lot coverage# of the tower portion | Minimum percent of total #building# #floor area# distribution below the level of 150 feet |
|---|--|
| 40.0 or greater | 45.0 |
| 39.0 to 39.9 | 45.5 |
| 38.0 to 38.9 | 46.0 |
| 37.0 to 37.9 | 46.5 |
| 36.0 to 36.9 | 47.0 |
| 35.0 to 35.9 | 47.5 |
| 34.0 to 34.9 | 48.0 |
| 33.0 to 33.9 | 48.5 |
| 32.0 to 32.9 | 49.0 |
| 31.0 to 31.9 | 49.5 |
| 30.0 to 30.9 | 50.0 |

(b) Borough of Brooklyn

(1) Street wall modifications in Community Districts 8 and 9

For the purposes of applying the #street wall# location as well as the height and setback provisions of Sections [23-431](#) and [23-432](#), respectively, where the Administrative Code establishes restrictions on the location of #buildings# on lots fronting upon and within 30 feet of Eastern Parkway in Community Districts 8 and 9 in the Borough of Brooklyn, lines drawn 30 feet north of and 30 feet south of, and parallel to, Eastern Parkway shall be considered the northern and southern #street lines# of Eastern Parkway.

(2) Height and setback modifications in Community District 9

For #zoning lots# in #Mandatory Inclusionary Housing areas# within the portion of Community District 9 in the Borough of Brooklyn, on the #block# bounded by Montgomery Street, Washington Avenue, Sullivan Place, and Franklin Avenue, the following height and setback modifications shall apply. The maximum height of a #building or other structure# shall not exceed an imaginary plane that:

- (i) begins at an elevation of 90 feet above the level of the #base plane#, beginning at the point along the center line of Sullivan Place, distant 120 feet, 4 inches east of the center line of Washington Avenue and parallel to Sullivan Place, and extending to Montgomery Street at an angle of 83 degrees, 17 minutes, 38 seconds; and
- (ii) extends upwards at a slope equivalent of 10 percent to the horizontal, in an easterly direction, as measured perpendicular to the line established by paragraph (b)(2)(i) of this Section.

Obstructions permitted pursuant to Section [23-411](#) may penetrate such imaginary plane provided that they are at least 90 percent transparent. In addition, obstructions specified in Section [23-412\(c\)](#) located within 85 feet of Franklin Avenue may penetrate such imaginary plane up to 12 feet if there is a minimum of 30 feet between such obstructions and the obstruction is no longer than 60 feet in length along the frontage of Franklin Avenue.

23-443 - Special provisions in other geographies

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(a) Special provisions for #zoning lots# adjoining #public parks#

In all districts, where a #building# adjoining a #public park# utilizes the provisions of Section [23-381](#), such #public park# shall be considered a #wide street# for the purpose of applying the regulations set forth in Sections [23-42](#) and [23-43](#) to any #building or other structure# on a #zoning lot# adjoining such #public park#.

(b) Special provisions for #zoning lots# with #transportation-infrastructure-adjacent frontage#

For #zoning lots# or portions thereof within 100 feet of a #street line# along a #transportation-infrastructure-adjacent frontage#, the following shall apply:

- (1) the applicable #street wall# location provisions of Section [23-431](#) and the minimum base height provisions of Section [23-432](#) need not apply; and
- (2) for #buildings# containing #multiple dwelling residences# that are not otherwise eligible for additional height pursuant to Section [23-434](#), the applicable maximum #building# heights may be increased by 10 feet in R1 through R6 Districts, and by 20 feet in R7 through R12 Districts.

(c) #Limited Height Districts#

In the #Limited Height Districts#, the underlying height and setback regulations for the zoning district shall apply, except that:

- (1) the additional height allowances for eligible sites set forth in Section [23-434](#) shall not apply; and
- (2) for #zoning lots# that do not contain #qualifying affordable housing# or #qualifying senior housing#, the maximum height of #buildings or other structures# shall be as shown in the following table:

| #Limited height district# | Maximum height above #curb level# or #base plane#, as applicable |
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| LH-1 | 50 feet |
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| LH-1A | 60 feet |
| LH-2 | 70 feet |
| LH-3 | 100 feet |

(d) Special provisions along certain district boundaries

Where a #lot line# of a #zoning lot# located in an R6 through R12 District coincides with the district boundary of an R1 through R5 District, the height of a #building# within a ‘transition area’ measured parallel to the district boundary, shall not exceed the heights set forth in the table, depending on the zoning district adjacency, the adjacent #zoning lot# condition, and the width of the #zoning lot#.

TRANSITION AREA DIMENSION AND MAXIMUM HEIGHT

| | Maximum permitted height within transition area (in feet, above #base plane#) | | |
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| Adjacent zoning district and #zoning lot# condition | For #zoning lots# with a #lot width# less than or equal to 30 feet | For #zoning lots# with a #lot width# greater than 30 feet | |
| | Within a distance equal to one-third of the #lot width# of the district boundary | Within 15 feet of the district boundary | Beyond 15 feet and within 25 feet of the district boundary |

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| R1 R2 R3 | Non-#qualifying residential sites# | 45* | 45* | 65 |
| | #Qualifying residential sites# | 65 | 65 | 85 |
| R4 R5 | Non-#qualifying residential sites# | 65 | 65 | 85 |
| | #Qualifying residential sites# | 85 | 85 | 85 |

* For #zoning lots# in R7, R8, R9 and R10 Districts, the maximum permitted height within the transition area shall be 65 feet.