

Sec. 14-136. Permitted uses.

The following uses are permitted in the R-6 and R-6A residential zones:

(a) Residential:

1. Single- and two-family dwellings. No building reviewed as a two-family dwelling in accordance with section article V (site plan) of this chapter shall be altered to include any additional dwelling unit within five (5) years from the date of issuance of the building permit. Any building reviewed as a two-family dwelling in accordance with article V (site plan) of this chapter or not reviewed under article V, which is altered or enlarged to include any additional dwelling unit after this five-year period, shall be reviewed as a pursuant to article V of this chapter.
2. Multifamily dwellings.
 - a. Parking shall be provided as required by division 20 of this article;
 - b. No open outside stairways or fire escapes above the ground floor shall be constructed;
 - c. A below-grade dwelling unit shall be permitted only if access is provided directly to the outside of the building;
 - d. Such development shall be subject to article V (site plan) of this chapter for site plan review and approval.
3. Handicapped family unit, as defined in section 14-47 (definitions) of this article, for handicapped persons plus staff.
4. Single-family, multiple-component manufactured housing, as defined in section 14-47 (definitions) of this article, except in a National Register Historic District.

5. Single-family, single-component manufactured housing, as defined in section 14-47 (definitions) of this article, on individual lots under separate and distinct ownership, except in a National Register Historic District, provided that each unit meets the performance standards listed below:
 - a. More than half of the roof area of each unit shall be a double pitched Class C rated shingled roof with a minimum pitch of 3/12.
 - b. Each unit shall be installed on a full foundation or a concrete frost wall in accordance with all applicable codes and regulations. Any hitch or tow bar shall be removed from the unit after it is placed on its foundation or frost wall. In the case of a frost wall, vermin proof skirting shall be installed on all sides of the unit. The skirting may consist of either (a) concrete or masonry block or (b) manufactured skirting. If concrete or masonry block skirting is installed, either the exterior siding of the unit shall extend within one (1) foot of grade or decorative masonry siding shall be applied. If manufactured skirting material is installed, the color shall be identical to or compatible with the exterior siding of the unit.
 - c. Each unit shall have exterior siding that is residential in appearance, including but not limited to natural materials such as wood clapboards or shakes, or exterior materials which simulate wood. Clapboards or simulated clapboards shall have less than eight (8) inches of exposure and sheet metal type siding shall not be permitted.
 - d. Each unit shall have the long side of the unit parallel to the street line where the required street frontage is met.
 - e. Each unit shall be provided with at least two (2) trees meeting the city's

arboricultural specifications and which are clearly visible from the street line and are located so as to visually widen the narrow dimension or proportion of the unit.

- f. Each unit shall have all fuel oil supply systems constructed and installed within the foundation wall or underground in accordance with all applicable codes and regulations.
- g. No unit shall be horizontally or vertically attached to any other unit or other structure, provided however, that this provision shall not be deemed to prohibit building additions, such as porches, garages, room additions or solar greenhouses.

(b) Other:

- 1. Lodging house;
- 2. Cemeteries;
- 3. Parks, and other active and passive noncommercial recreation spaces;
- 4. Accessory uses customarily incidental and subordinate to the location, function, and operation of principal uses, subject to the provisions of section 14-404 (accessory use) of this article;
- 5. Home occupation subject to the provisions of section 14-410 (home occupation) of this article;
- 6. Municipal uses, excluding those specifically set forth in section 14-137 of this division;
- 7. Special needs independent living units, provided that a building housing special needs independent living units shall not house other types of residential or other permitted uses. The owner of a special needs independent living unit building shall file in the Cumberland County Registry of Deeds a statement under oath that the building is

a special needs independent living unit building and that any future change of use to a permitted residential use shall require a change in use review by the City of Portland and a decrease in the number of units in the building in accordance with the Portland City Code, chapter 14. The owner shall file proof of such recording with the building inspections division prior to the issuance of any certificates of occupancy for the new uses.

8. Conversion of a structure existing on March 3, 1997, into a bed and breakfast with up to four (4) guest rooms, subject to the standards of article V (site plan).
9. Hostels, provided the applicant submits a site plan and operations plan demonstrating compliance with the following conditions:
 - a. No more than ten (10) overnight transient guests shall be permitted in the facility at any one time.
 - b. All applicable provisions of Article V of this chapter shall be met.
 - c. Parking shall be provided in compliance with Division 20 of this Article.
 - d. No unaccompanied minors under the age of eighteen (18) shall be permitted in the facility.
 - e. The length of stay for transient guests shall not exceed fifteen (15) days out of any sixty-day period.
 - f. An owner, manager or operator shall live in the building as a permanent resident.
 - g. The building shall meet the applicable occupant load requirements as defined by the International Building Code and the NFPA Life Safety Code, as such codes are amended or adopted by the city.

10. Wind energy systems, as defined and allowed in Article X, Alternative Energy.

(Ord. No. 538-84, 5-7-84; Ord. No. 267-84, § 1, 12-17-84; Ord. No. 67-87, § 4, 11-2-87; Ord. No. 85-88, §§ 1, 2, 7-19-88; Ord. No. 86A-89, § 7, 8-21-89; Ord. No. 95-89, § 2, 9-6-89; Ord. No. 279-90, § 2, 3-19-90; Ord. No. 33-91, § 8, 1-23-91; Ord. No. 33A-91, § 6, 4-17-91; Ord. No. 125-97, § 2, 3-3-97; Ord. No. 278-09/10, 7-19-10; Ord. No. 279-09/10, 6-6-11; Ord. No. 33-11/12, 1-18-12; Ord. No. 73-14/15, 10-20-2014; Ord. 209-14/15, 5/4/2015)

***Editor's note--**Ord. No. 85-88, §§ 1, 2, adopted July 19, 1988, amended § 14-136 to read as herein set out. See also the editor's note to Art. III of this chapter for additional provisions relative to Ord. No. 85-88. Ord. No. 95-89, § 2, adopted Sept. 6, 1989, amended subsection (1)a of § 14-136 to read as set out and, as amended, further ordained "that the prohibition upon unit additions contained in this ordinance shall not apply where a building permit has been issued. Additions proposed to such buildings shall require major site plan review and all other reviews required by this chapter."

Sec. 14-137. Conditional uses.

The following uses shall be permitted only upon the issuance of a conditional use permit, subject to the provisions of section 14-474 (conditional uses) of this article and any special provisions, standards or requirements specified below:

(a) Residential:

1. Reserved.
2. Sheltered care group homes, as defined in section 14-47 of this article, for up to twelve (12) individuals, plus staff, and serving a primary population which is not handicapped persons, parolees, persons involved in correctional prerelease programs, or current illegal drug users, provided that:
 - a. A sheltered care group home shall not be located within five hundred (500) feet of another, as measured along street lines to the respective property lines.
 - b. There shall be no open outside stairways or fire escapes above the ground floor.
 - c. The facility shall make provision for

adequate on-site staffing and supervision of residents in accordance with applicable state licensing requirements. If a facility is not licensed by the state, there shall be a minimum of one (1) staff person for every ten (10) residents or fraction thereof.

The board of appeals may impose conditions upon a conditional use permit concerning the creation or operation of a sheltered care group home including but not limited to the following: site and building maintenance; lighting, fencing, and other appropriate security measures; screening and buffering of parking areas; compatibility of any additions or alterations with the existing residential structure; compatibility of new structures with the architectural character of the surrounding area; and limitation on the duration of the sheltered care group home permit.

3. Conversion of a structure existing on March 3, 1997, into a bed and breakfast with five (5) to nine (9) guest rooms.
- (b) Institutional: Any of the following conditional uses provided that, notwithstanding section 14-474(a) (conditional uses) of this article or any other provision of this Code, the Planning Board shall be substituted for the board of appeals as the reviewing authority:
1. Elementary, middle, and secondary school except as otherwise provided in section 14-276.10;
 2.
 - a. Long-term and extended care facilities;
 - b. Intermediate care facility for thirteen (13) or more persons;
 3. Intermediate care facility;
 4. Places of assembly;
 5. Hospital;
 6. College, university, trade school.

Such uses shall be subject to the following conditions and standards in addition to the provisions of section 14-474:

- a. In the case of expansion onto land of existing such uses other than the lot on which the principal use is located, it shall be demonstrated that the proposed use cannot reasonably be accommodated on the existing site through more efficient utilization of land or buildings, and will not cause significant physical encroachment into established residential areas; and
- b. The proposed use will not cause significant displacement or conversion of residential uses existing as of June 1, 1983, or thereafter; and
- c. In the case of a use or use expansion which constitutes a combination of the above-listed uses with capacity for concurrent operations, the applicable minimum lot sizes shall be cumulative; and
- d. Article V (site plan) sections 14-522 and 14-523 notwithstanding, in the case of places of assembly the proposed use shall be subject to the requirements of article V (site plan) of this chapter; and
- e. In the case of community halls:
 - i. The structure was in existence as of January 4, 2010.
 - ii. The structure was built for institutional or other non-residential uses;
 - iii. The structure is operated by, or operated subject to the control of, a not-for-profit entity in accordance with its not-for-profit purposes; and

iv. A parking management plan is submitted for review and approval by the planning board; and

f. In the case of private club or fraternal organizations: any such establishment serving alcoholic beverages or in possession of a license for serving alcoholic beverages shall be located on a large lot, as specified in the minimum lot size provisions of this section.

(c) Other:

1. Utility substations, such as water and sewage pumping stations and standpipes, electric power substations, transformer stations, and telephone electronic equipment enclosures and other similar structures, provided that such uses are suitably screened and landscaped so as to ensure compatibility with the surrounding neighborhood;
2. Professional offices of a member of a recognized profession maintained for the conduct of that profession. Professional office uses exclude personal services, retail services, and veterinarians.

The illustrative examples that follow indicate the type of professional offices permitted: health care practitioner, attorney, social worker, engineer, architect, accountant, real estate agent, insurance agent.

Professional office uses shall meet the following standards in addition to provisions of section 14-474, except that subsections a., b., c. and d. of this section 14-137(c)2 shall not apply to the use of any building not designed or constructed for residential use, which was not in actual use as a residence on April 18, 1984, or thereafter.

- a. A professional office shall not be located within five hundred (500) feet of another as measured along the street line to the respective property lines.

- b. A building with one (1) or more professional offices shall have at least fifty (50) percent of the total floor area of the building devoted to residential uses.
 - c. The total number of individuals working in a building of professional offices shall not exceed the equivalent of four (4) full-time employees.
 - d. Any additions or exterior alterations shall be compatible with the architecture of the building and maintain the residential appearance of the building. Construction of a new building shall be compatible with the architectural character of the surrounding area.
 - e. The scale and surface area of parking, driveways, and paved areas shall be arranged and landscaped to be compatible in size and scale with neighboring properties in the area and to properly screen vehicles from adjacent properties and streets.
 - f. Off-street parking is required as provided in division 20 (off-street parking) of this article.
- 3. Chancellery.
 - 4. Nursery school and kindergarten.
 - 5. Off-street parking for passenger cars for uses permitted in the R-6 zone.
 - 6. Day care facilities or home babysitting services not permitted as a home occupation under section 14-410, subject to the following conditions:
 - a. The facility shall be located in a structure in which there is one (1) or more occupied residential units or in an existing accessory structure, unless the facility is located in a principal structure that has not been used as a residence in whole or in

part within the five (5) years immediately preceding the application for a day care or home babysitting use or in a nonresidential structure accessory to the principal nonresidential use.

- b. The maximum capacity shall be twelve (12) children for facilities located in residential or existing structures accessory thereto, unless the additional standards in subsection v. are met. There shall be no maximum limit on the number of children in a facility located in a principal structure that has not been used as a residence in whole or in part within the five (5) years immediately preceding the application for a day care or home babysitting use, or in a nonresidential structure accessory thereto, provided that any such structure that serves more than twelve (12) children shall be subject to review under article V of this chapter.
- c. Outdoor play areas shall be screened and buffered from surrounding residences with landscaping and/or fencing to minimize visual and noise impacts.
- d. Solid waste shall be stored in covered containers. Such containers shall be screened on all four (4) sides.
- e. Day care facilities, nursery schools and kindergartens located either in structures that have been in residential use within the past five (5) years or in existing accessory structures and that serve between thirteen (13) and twenty-four (24) children shall meet the following additional standards:
 - i. The facility shall provide a minimum of seventy-five (75) square feet of outdoor play area per child;
 - ii. The play area shall be located in the side and rear yards only and shall not be

located in front yards;

- iii. Outside play areas shall be separated from abutting properties by a fence at least forty-eight (48) inches in height;
 - iv. A ten-foot wide landscaped buffer shall be required outside of the fenced play area, and shall be established in accordance with the landscaping standards of the City's Technical Standards and Guidelines;
 - v. The minimum lot size for a day care facility located in a residential or existing accessory structure and serving more than twelve (12) children shall be twenty thousand (20,000) square feet;
 - vi. *Off-street parking:* Off-street parking is required as provided in division 20 (off-street parking) of this article.
 - vii. The maximum number of children in a day care facility located in a residential or existing accessory structure shall be twenty-four (24); and
 - viii. Any additions or exterior alterations such as facade materials, building form, roof pitch, and exterior doors shall be designed to be compatible with the architectural style of the building and preserve the residential appearance of the building.
7. Temporary wind anemometer towers, as defined in Sec 14-47, are permitted provided the following standards are met in addition to Sec 14-430:
- a. Towers may be installed for the purpose of wind data collection for no more than two (2) years after the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy for the tower. At the conclusion of the aforementioned two (2) years, the tower must be dismantled and

removed from the site within sixty (60) days; and

- b. Towers shall be constructed according to plans and specifications stamped by a licensed professional engineer, which shall be provided to the Board of Appeals with the application; and
- c. Towers shall be set back from habitable buildings by a distance equal to 1.1 times the tower height; and
- d. The applicant shall provide a safety report prepared and stamped by a licensed professional engineer to the Board of Appeals with their application for conditional use, which demonstrates how the proposed temporary wind anemometer tower is safe in terms of strength, stability, security, grounding, icing impacts and maintenance; and
- e. The applicant shall provide evidence of commercial general liability insurance, such insurance to be satisfactory to Corporation Counsel and cover damage or injury resulting from construction, operation or dismantling of any part of the temporary wind anemometer tower; and
- f. Towers and associated guy wires shall be sited to minimize their prominence from and impacts on public ways (including pedestrian ways); and
- g. Towers shall be used for installing anemometers and similar devices at a range of heights from the ground to measure wind characteristics (speed, direction, frequency) and related meteorological data, but shall not be used for any other purpose; and
- h. A performance guarantee shall be required for the cost of removal of the tower, guy

wires and anchors. This requirement may be satisfied by surety bond, letter of credit, escrow account or by evidence, acceptable to the City, or the financial and technical ability and commitment of the applicant or its agents to remove the facility at the end of the use period.

8. Hostels, provided the applicant submits a site plan and operations plan demonstrating compliance with the following conditions:
 - a. No more than twenty (20) overnight transient guests shall be permitted in the facility at any one time.
 - b. All applicable provisions of Article V of this chapter shall be met.
 - c. Parking shall be provided in compliance with Division 20 of this Article.
 - d. No unaccompanied minors under the age of eighteen (18) shall be permitted in the facility.
 - e. The length of stay for transient guests shall not exceed fifteen (15) days out of any sixty-day period.
 - f. An owner, manager or operator shall live in the building as a permanent resident.
 - g. The building shall meet the applicable occupant load requirements as defined by the International Building Code and the NFPA Life Safety Code, as such codes are amended or adopted by the city.

9. Wind energy systems, as defined and allowed in Article X, Alternative Energy.

(Ord. No. 538-84, 5-7-84; Ord. No. 267-84, § 2, 12-17-84; Ord. No. 76-85, § 8, 7-1-85; Ord. No. 85-88, § 3, 7-19-88; Ord. No. 235-91, § 13, 2-4-91; Ord. No. 118-93, § 11, 10-18-93; Ord. No. 133-96, § 7, 11-18-96; ; Ord. No. 154-96, § 11, 12-16-96; Ord. No. 125-97, § 3, 3-3-97; Ord. No. 232-99, §2, 3-15-99; Ord. No. 77-02/03, § 2, 10-21-02; Ord. No. 29-09/10, 8-3-09 emergency passage; Ord. No. 127-09/10, 1-4-10 emergency passage; Ord. No. 138-09/10, 1-20-10; Ord. No. 240-09/10, 6-21-10; Ord. No. 9 10/11, 8-2-10; Ord. No. 149-10/11, 3-7-11; Ord. No.

279-09/10, 6-6-11; Ord. No. 33-11/12, 1-18-12)

Sec. 14-138. Prohibited uses.

Uses that are not expressly enumerated herein as either permitted uses or conditional uses are prohibited.
 (Ord. No. 538-84, 5-7-84)

Sec. 14-139. Dimensional requirements.

(a) In addition to the provisions of division 25 (space and bulk regulations and exceptions) of this article, lots in the R-6 and R-6A zones shall meet or exceed the following minimum requirements:

R-6 Dimensional Requirements	
Minimum Lot Size	Residential Uses: 2,000 sf, except that in R-6A the min. residential lot size is four (4) acres.
	Long-term and extended care facilities: Ten thousand (10,000) square feet for the first nine (9) residents plus seven hundred fifty (750) square feet for each additional resident, up to a total of two (2) acres.
	Intermediate care facility: One (1) acre.
	School: Thirty thousand (30,000) square feet.
	Places of assembly: Large, 15,000 sf; Medium, 10,000 sf; Small, 5,000 sf.
	Hospital: Two (2) acres
	All other uses: 2,000 sf
Min. Lot Area/Dwelling Unit	725 s.f.
Minimum Lot Area/Lodging House Rooming Unit	250 s.f
Minimum land area per intermediate care facility resident	250 s.f

Minimum land area per permitted hostel guest when maximum permitted guests is greater than 10	250 s.f
Street Frontage	20 feet
Minimum Front Yard Setback for Principal and Accessory Structures	5 ft, or the average depths of adjacent front yards.
Minimum Rear Yard Setback for Principal and Accessory Structures	10 feet, except that accessory structures with a ground coverage of one hundred and forty-four (144) square feet or less: Five (5) feet.
	All setbacks for swimming pools shall be as provided for in section 14-432, Swimming pools, of this article.
Minimum Side Yard Setback for Principal and Accessory Structures	5 ft, except that a side yard in the R-6 zone may be reduced to zero, provided that the cumulative side yard setbacks are not less than 10 ft. A permanent maintenance easement a minimum of 5 ft. in width shall be provided on the parcel adjacent to the lot line with the reduced side setback.
	Side yards in R-6A shall be 10 ft. for principal structures up to 45 ft. in height and 15 ft. for principal structures greater than 45 ft.in height.
Side Yard on Side Street	None
Structure Stepbacks	Portions of a structure above 35 ft shall be no closer than 10 ft from the side property line and no closer than 15 feet from the rear property line when such property line abuts a residential zone. <i>Does not apply to side yards on side streets.</i>
Maximum Lot Coverage	60%
Minimum Lot Width	20 feet
Maximum Height	Principal and attached accessory structure: 45 ft
	Detached accessory structure: 18 ft

	In R-6A the maximum principal and attached accessory structure height shall be 65 ft.
Landscaped Open Space	20%. This area shall not include parking areas or other impervious surfaces as defined in section 14-47.
Minimum gross floor area for bed and breakfasts	Two thousand (2,000) square feet of gross floor area for the first three (3) guest rooms and five hundred (500) square feet of floor area for each additional guest room.
Maximum floor area for places of Assembly	<i>On a collector or arterial road:</i>
	Large: Not limited
	Medium: 4,500 s.f.
	Small: 2,250 s.f.
	<i>Not on a collector or arterial road:</i>
	Large: 4,500 s.f.
	Medium: 2,250 s.f.
	Small: 1,125 s.f.
Maximum Garage Opening	Garage openings on front façades shall not exceed the greater of nine (9) feet or forty (40) percent of the front façade, and in no case shall a garage opening on a front façade exceed 20 feet.

(b) Townhouse Subdivisions.

Subdivisions consisting of horizontally attached dwellings on individual lots are not required to have side yards between such dwellings where a party wall condition will exist. Horizontally attached dwellings located within a single lot shall be required to meet the applicable side yard requirements at the external lot boundaries of the subdivision and internal lot boundaries between such dwellings that are not attached to each other. No minimum lot size width shall be required for individual lots underlying townhouse (horizontally attached) dwelling types. The applicable minimum lot area per dwelling shall apply to each lot.

(c) Alterations to Single-family, two-family, and multi-family dwellings in existence as of June 15, 2015 shall not

result in the creation of any additional dwelling unit of less than six hundred (600) square feet of floor area, exclusive of common hallways and storage in basement and attic; and Shall not result in any existing dwelling unit being reduced in size to less than one thousand (1,000) square feet of floor area, exclusive of common areas and storage in basement and attic.

(Ord. No. 538-84, 5-7-84; Ord. No. 634-86, § 1, 7-7-86; Ord. No. 264-87, § 1, 3-16-87; Ord. No. 85-88, § 4, 7-19-88; Ord. No. 230-90, § 1, 3-5-90; Ord. No. 33-91, § 9, 1-23-91; Ord. No. 235-91, § 14, 2-4-91; Ord. No. 33A-91, 4-17-91; Ord. No. 118-93, § 12, 10-18-93; Ord. No. 154-96, § 12, 12-16-96; Ord. No. 125-97, § 4, 3-3-97; Ord. No. 245-97, §§ 1, 2, 4-9-97; Ord. No. 232-99; §3, 3-15-99; Ord. No. 78-03/04, 10-20-03; Ord. No. 21-04/05, 8-2-04, Ord. No. 145-04/05, 2-23-05; Ord. No. 254-05/06, 6-5-06; Ord. No. 131-08/09, 12-15-08; Ord. No. 127-09/10, 1-4-10 emergency passage; Ord. No. 65-10/11, 10-18-10; Ord. No. 73-14/15, 10-20-2014; Ord. 209-14/15, 5/4/2015)

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Sec. 14-140. Other requirements.

(a) Off-street parking: Off-street parking is required as provided in division 20 (off-street parking) of this article.

(b) Storage of vehicles: Only one (1) unregistered motor vehicle may be stored outside on the premises for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days.

(c) Shoreland and flood plain management regulations: Any lot or portion of a lot located in a shoreland zone as identified on the city shoreland zoning map or in a flood hazard zone shall be subject to the requirements of division 26 and/or division 26.5.

(Ord. No. 538-84, 5-7-84; Ord. No. 85-88, § 5, 7-19-88; Ord. No. 15-92, § 11, 6-15-92; Ord. No. 37-98, § 1, 5-4-98; formerly §14-145--renumbered per Ord. No. 122, 12-20-99; Ord. No. 78-03/04, 10-20-03; Ord. No. 254-05/06, 6-5-06; Ord. No. 240-09/10, 6-21-10; Ord. 209-14/15, 5/4/2015)

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