

TOWN OF NEW HAVEN
APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE INSTRUCTIONS

1. Meet with Code Enforcement to determine if Variance is needed.
2. Pay close attention to submission deadlines as they are now strictly enforced to allow time for notification of all parties.
3. Fill in all information on application form.
4. Complete Part 1 of Appendix B Short Form Environmental Assessment Form. Part 2 is completed by the Planning Board.
5. A current survey must accompany the variance application if one exists.
6. Include a drawing to scale, showing all property lines, existing and proposed buildings, driveways, wells, septic systems, etc. Include dimensions of all structures and distances between structures and to property lines, wells, and septic systems. The drawing must show entire parcel.
7. A copy of the deed and or land contract must accompany application (only one copy is required)
8. Turn completed application/packet to Code Enforcement Officer.
9. The meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm in the meeting room at the Town Hall. You must attend the meeting.
10. After the Planning Board has reviewed and approved the application, a Public Hearing will be scheduled.
11. The Planning Board will send letters to all adjacent landowners informing them of the proposed variance allowing them to comment. Comments from your neighbors will be taken into consideration. Approval or objections from neighbors do not guarantee approval or denial of your application.
12. A Letter of Determination will be provided to you and a copy to Code Enforcement. For additional requirements, please follow-up with Code Enforcement.
13. If you have any questions, call the Town Clerk, and ask for the Planning Board Chairperson to contact you.

**Town of New Haven
Application For Variance**

Name of all owners: _____

Mailing address: _____

Phone number: _____

Property address: _____

Tax parcel number (located on tax bill): _____

Reason for variance: _____

Will rejection of variance be a hardship? _____

Why? _____

List all adjacent landowners: _____

*Refer to Town of New Haven Application for Variance Instructions

Applicant Signature _____

Date: _____

Code Enforcement Office to complete this section

What law and section of law is variance being applied for: _____

Does this applicant's Site Plan lie within a wetland or flood plain? (Refer to Site Plan Review Section 5.98 – Wetlands Map Overlay) _____

Date received from applicant by Code Enforcement Officer: _____

Code Enforcement Officer Signature

Date

Received by Planning Board: Date: _____

Added to Agenda of _____ Planning Board

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Appendix B
Short Environmental Assessment Form

Instructions for Completing

Part 1 - Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 - Project and Sponsor Information			
Name of Action or Project:			
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map):			
Brief Description of Proposed Action:			
Name of Applicant or Sponsor:		Telephone:	
		E-Mail:	
Address:			
City/PO:		State:	Zip Code:
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, administrative rule, or regulation?			NO
If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental resources that may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.			YES
			☐
			☐
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other governmental Agency?			NO
If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval:			YES
			☐
			☐
3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? _____ acres			
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed? _____ acres			
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned _____ acres			
or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor?			
4. Check all land uses that occur on, adjoining and near the proposed action.			
☐ Urban ☐ Rural (non-agriculture) ☐ Industrial ☐ Commercial ☐ Residential (suburban)			
☐ Forest ☐ Agriculture ☐ Aquatic ☐ Other (specify): _____			
☐ Parkland			

5. Is the proposed action, a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?	NO ☐	YES ☐	N/A ☐
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?	☐	☐	☐
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?		NO ☐	YES ☐
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area? If Yes, identify: _____		NO ☐	YES ☐
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?		NO ☐	YES ☐
b. Are public transportation service(s) available at or near the site of the proposed action?		☐	☐
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near site of the proposed action?		☐	☐
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements? If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies: _____		NO ☐	YES ☐
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply? If No, describe method for providing potable water: _____		NO ☐	YES ☐
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities? If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment: _____		NO ☐	YES ☐
12. a. Does the site contain a structure that is listed on either the State or National Register of Historic Places?		NO ☐	YES ☐
b. Is the proposed action located in an archeological sensitive area?		☐	☐
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?		NO ☐	YES ☐
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody? If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres: _____		☐	☐
14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply: ☐ Shoreline ☐ Forest ☐ Agricultural/grasslands ☐ Early mid-successional ☐ Wetland ☐ Urban ☐ Suburban			
15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or Federal government as threatened or endangered?		NO ☐	YES ☐
16. Is the project site located in the 100 year flood plain?		NO ☐	YES ☐
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources? If Yes, a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties? ☐ NO ☐ YES		NO ☐	YES ☐
b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)? If Yes, briefly describe: _____ _____		☐ NO ☐ YES	

18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g. retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)? If Yes, explain purpose and size: _____	NO	YES
_____	☐	☐
19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility? If Yes, describe: _____	NO	YES
_____	☐	☐
20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste? If Yes, describe: _____	NO	YES
_____	☐	☐
I AFFIRM THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE		
Applicant/sponsor name: _____ Date: _____		
Signature: _____		

Part 2 - Impact Assessment. The Lead Agency is responsible for the completion of Part 2. Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1. Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	☐	☐
2. Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	☐	☐
3. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	☐	☐
4. Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	☐	☐
5. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	☐	☐
6. Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	☐	☐
7. Will the proposed action impact existing:	☐	☐
a. public / private water supplies?	☐	☐
b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	☐	☐
8. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	☐	☐
9. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	☐	☐

	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
10. Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	☐	☐
11. Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	☐	☐

Part 3 - Determination of significance. The Lead Agency is responsible for the completion of Part 3. For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

- ☐ Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an environmental impact statement is required.
- ☐ Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

Name of Lead Agency

Date

Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Title of Responsible Officer

Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)

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