

TOWN OF BIG FLATS DRIVEWAY CRITERIA

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS ORDINANCE MAY RESULT IN THE DRIVEWAY HAVING TO BE REPLACED. ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS PERMIT SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS/PUBLIC WORKS AT 608-474-0369.

DRIVEWAY ORDINANCE #35 All driveways installed, altered, changed, replaced or extended after the affected date of this chapter shall meet the following requirements.

1. The maximum number of driveway openings for vehicular ingress and egress permitted for lots with a width less than one hundred (100) feet shall be one (1) and for lots with a width greater than one hundred (100) feet, two (2) driveway openings may be permitted with approval of the Superintendent of Highways.
2. Vehicular entrances and exits to any business, industry or public lots shall be not less than two hundred (200) feet from any pedestrian entrance or exit to a school, college, university, church, hospital, park, playground, library, public emergency shelter, or other place of public assembly.
3. Openings for vehicular ingress and egress shall not exceed thirty (30) feet at the property line and thirty-five (35) feet at the roadway for all uses except the if curb and gutter are present the maximum curb opening for all residential districts shall be twenty-five (25) feet at the roadway if applicable.
4. Driveways shall be at least twelve (12) feet wide for one (1) and two (2) family dwellings, at least eighteen (18) feet for farmsteads, and a maximum of forty (40) feet at the roadway for all other uses, except the maximum curb and gutter opening for all residential districts shall be twenty-five (25) feet if applicable.
5. A driveway access will be determined by the main intersecting road. Any parcel or lot that is located on a corner shall be no less than 80 (eighty) from adjacent roadway.
6. No direct private access shall be permitted to the existing or proposed right-of-way of roads, or to any controlled access arterial road without permission of the road agency that has access to control jurisdiction.
7. The surface of the driveway connecting with the roadway shall slope down and away from the road shoulder a sufficient amount and distance to precluded ordinary surface water drainage from the driveway area flowing onto the roadbed. The driveway shall not obstruct or impair drainage in the roadside and ditch areas. The surface shall be no less than a road base grade of material. The use of ditches for a driveway is not permitted.
8. If a concrete driveway is installed in the right-of-way, a fiber expansion joint must be installed at the property line. If the concrete driveway must be removed from within the right-of-way for roadway work, the property owner will be financially responsible for removal and replacement.
9. When the Town determines a culvert is necessary for proper water control, The Town will determine the size, material of the culvert and end walls.
10. The Superintendent of Highways/Public Works may grant temporary access to the above right-of-ways after review and recommendation by road agencies having jurisdiction. Such access permit shall be temporary, revocable and subject to any conditions required and shall be issued for a period not to exceed twelve (12) months.
11. Any repairs or cleaning of the roads adjacent to the installation of driveways shall be at the owner's expense. The owner may contract for the service or the Town of Big Flats may repair at its discretion.
12. A plot plan showing the placement of the driveway access shall be required along with the permit.
13. Any private driveway leading to a building or structure located 200 feet or more the public right-of-way shall be at least 18 feet in width; shall provide an unobstructed height through out the entire length and width of the driveway of at least 14 feet, and shall have a cul-de-sac or turn around at or near the end of the driveway with a minimum right-of-way radius of 50 feet. Greater dimensions may be required by the Superintendent of Highways if the cul-de-sac or turn around would not be sufficient so as to accommodate firefighting vehicle, apparatus and equipment that might be required to serve the property.