

TIPS ON HOW TO FIND INFORMATION IN THE TOWNSHIP CODE

1. When you open the Code home page you will see a list of chapters and the general topic they cover.
2. To the left of the chapter list is a link to an index of key words.
3. If you still cannot find what you are looking for there is also a search box at the top of the home page.
4. To the left of the search box is a “Help” button which gives guidance on using this on-line code.

Chapter 175 Zoning

Some very common questions are, “Can I do THIS at this property?” “What am I permitted to do at this property?” Or “In which Zoning District can I do THIS?”

1. First, find the location of the property by looking at the Street Map; Website/Township Home page/Information/Maps.
2. Identify the parcel location on the Twp. Zoning Map and you will have identified the Zoning District in which the property is located.
3. Next, open the Township Code and scroll down to find Chapter 175 (Zoning). You will see a list of contents including an article on each zoning district.

EXAMPLE

- By looking at the street map, and then the zoning map, you discover that the property you are interested in is in the R-1 Residential District.
- From the list of contents open section 175-37, “Permitted Uses” in the R-1 Zoning District.
- You will see a list of: A. Permitted Uses by Right, B. Uses permitted after approval by the Zoning Hearing Board, and D. Uses that require approval from the Board of Supervisors.
- The uses are listed from A to H.
- To find out the definition and regulations for each use, first look at 179-9 Definitions, and then Section 175-16 Use Regulations of the code. 175-16 acts as a “Detailed Explanation” section for each use.

- For example, you want to know if an Accessory Family Apartment is permitted in the property you have identified as being in the R-1 Zoning District. By looking at 175-37, permitted uses in the R-1 Zoning District, you discover the use H-12 Accessory Family Apartment is in section B and is permitted after approval from the Zoning Hearing Board. Next, by looking up H-12 in code section 175-16 you will see the requirements you will have to follow for an Accessory Family Apartment permit application.