



Zoning Resolution

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93-40 - HEIGHT AND SETBACK REGULATIONS

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In the #Special Hudson Yards District#, height and setback regulations shall be as set forth in this Section, inclusive.

93-41 - Rooftop Regulations

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12/5/2024

(a) Subdistricts A, B, C, D, E and G

The provisions of Section [33-42](#) (Permitted Obstructions) shall apply to all #buildings# within Subdistricts A through E and G, except that dormers may penetrate a maximum base height in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (b)(1) of Section [23-413](#) (Permitted obstructions in certain districts).

(b) Subdistrict F

In Subdistrict F, the provisions of paragraph (b) of Section [33-42](#) shall apply, except that for towers above a height of 350 feet, in lieu of the provisions of [37-20](#) (SPECIAL SCREENING AND ENCLOSURE PROVISIONS), inclusive, the tower top articulation provisions set forth in Section [93-569](#) shall apply.

93-42 - Height and Setback in Subdistricts A, B, C, D, E, F and G

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In Subareas D4 and D5 of the Hell's Kitchen Subdistrict D, the underlying height and setback regulations shall apply as set forth in Section [93-542](#), as modified by Section [93-41](#) (Rooftop Regulations).

In Subdistricts A, B and C, Subareas D1, D2 and D3 of the Hell's Kitchen Subdistrict D, and Subdistrict E, the underlying height and setback regulations shall not apply. In lieu thereof, the provisions of Section [93-41](#) and paragraphs (a) through (d) of this Section shall apply. These regulations are further modified in certain locations as set forth in Section [93-50](#) (SPECIAL HEIGHT, SETBACK AND YARD REGULATIONS). The height of all #buildings or other structures# shall be measured from #curb level#.

In Subdistrict F, the underlying height and setback regulations shall not apply. In lieu thereof, the provisions of Section [93-41](#) and Section [93-56](#) (Special Height and Setback Regulations in Subdistrict F) shall apply.

In Subdistrict G, the underlying height and setback regulations and paragraphs (b) through (d) of this Section shall not apply. In lieu thereof, Section [93-57](#) (Special Height and Setback Regulations in Subdistrict G) shall apply.

(a) Maximum base heights

The maximum height of a #building or other structure# before setback shall be 150 feet along a #wide street# and along a #narrow street# within 100 feet of its intersection with a #wide street#, and 90 feet along a #narrow street# beyond 100 feet of its intersection with a #wide street#. For #corner lots# with #wide street# frontage and more than 100 feet of #narrow street# frontage, the maximum #building# height before setback along the #narrow street# may, as an

alternative, be the weighted average of 150 feet for the first 100 feet from the corner, and 90 feet for the remainder of the #narrow street# frontage. Such allowable maximum heights before required setbacks are hereinafter referred to as “maximum base heights.”

(b) Required setbacks

For #buildings# that contain only #residential use# above the applicable maximum base height, the required minimum setback for portions of such #buildings# that exceed such maximum base height shall be 10 feet from a #wide street# and 15 feet from a #narrow street#.

For #buildings or other structures# that contain #commercial# or #community facility use# above the applicable maximum base height, the required minimum setback for portions of #buildings or other structures# that exceed such maximum base height shall be 15 feet from a #wide street# and 20 feet from a #narrow street#.

(c) Tower #lot coverage#

The portion of any #building# or #buildings# located above a height of 150 feet are hereinafter referred to as “towers.”

- (1) Towers containing #residences# shall occupy, in the aggregate, a minimum of 30 percent of the #lot area# of the #zoning lot#, except that this requirement shall not apply to the highest 40 feet of such tower or towers. Furthermore, towers containing #residences# shall occupy not more than 40 percent of the #lot area# of the #zoning lot# or, for #zoning lots# less than 20,000 square feet, the percentage set forth in the following table:

LOT COVERAGE OF TOWERS ON SMALL ZONING LOTS

Area of #Zoning Lot# (in square feet)	Maximum Percentage of #Lot Coverage#
10,500 or less	50
10,501 to 11,500	49
11,501 to 12,500	48
12,501 to 13,500	47
13,501 to 14,500	46
14,501 to 15,500	45
15,501 to 16,500	44
16,501 to 17,500	43
17,501 to 18,500	42

18,501 to 19,999	41
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- (2) Towers that contain only #commercial# or #community facility use#, or a combination thereof, shall occupy not more than 60 percent of the #lot area# of the #zoning lot# or, for #zoning lots# less than 30,000 square feet, the percentage set forth in the following table:

LOT COVERAGE OF TOWERS ON SMALL ZONING LOTS

Area of #Zoning Lot# (in square feet)	Maximum Percentage of #Lot Coverage#
20,500 or less	70
20,501 to 21,500	69
21,501 to 22,500	68
22,501 to 23,500	67
23,501 to 24,500	66
24,501 to 25,500	65
25,501 to 26,500	64
26,501 to 27,500	63
27,501 to 28,500	62
28,501 to 29,999	61

- (d) Length of #building# wall

The maximum length of any #story# located above a height of 500 feet shall not exceed 250 feet. Such length shall be measured by inscribing within a rectangle the outermost walls at the level of each #story# entirely above a height of 500 feet. No side of such rectangle shall exceed a width of 250 feet.

93-43 - Height of Street Walls and Maximum Building Height Within Subdistrict H

(a) Height of #street walls#

The #street wall# location provisions of paragraph (a) of Section [35-631](#) shall apply to all #street frontages#, except that the #street wall# shall extend to a minimum base height of 80 feet and a maximum base height of 90 feet before setback. However, if the height of an adjacent #street wall# fronting on the same #street line# is higher than 90 feet before setback, the #street wall# of the new or #enlarged# #building# may rise without setback to the height of such adjacent #street wall#, up to a maximum height of 120 feet.

For #zoning lots#, or portions thereof, with #street# frontage of 25 feet or less and existing on June 29, 2010, a minimum base height lower than 80 feet shall be permitted along such #street# frontage in accordance with the following provisions:

- (1) where the height of an adjacent #street wall# fronting on the same #street line# is at least 60 feet and less than 80 feet, the #street wall# of the new or #enlarged# #building# may rise without setback to the height of such adjacent #street wall#; or
- (2) where the height of an adjacent #street wall# fronting on the same #street line# is less than 60 feet, the #street wall# of the new or #enlarged# #building# may rise without setback to a minimum #street wall# height of 60 feet.

The #street wall# of any #building# may rise to a height less than the minimum base height required pursuant to this paragraph (a), provided that no #building# on the #zoning lot# exceeds such height, except where such #building# is located on a #zoning lot# with multiple #buildings#, one or more of which is #developed#, #enlarged# or altered after February 2, 2011, to a height exceeding the minimum base height required pursuant to this paragraph (a).

(b) Maximum #building# height

Above a height of 90 feet or the height of the adjacent #street wall# if higher than 90 feet, no portion of a #building or other structure# shall penetrate a #sky exposure plane# that begins at a height of 90 feet above the #street line#, or the height of the adjacent #street wall# if higher than 90 feet, and rises over the #zoning lot# at a slope of four feet of vertical distance for each foot of horizontal distance to a maximum height limit of 250 feet, except as provided below:

- (1) any portion of the #building or other structure# #developed# or #enlarged# pursuant to the tower regulations of Section [33-45](#) (Tower Regulations) or paragraph (d) of Section [35-632](#) (Maximum height of buildings and setback regulations), as applicable, may penetrate the #sky exposure plane#, provided no portion of such #building or other structure# exceeds the height limit of 250 feet; and
- (2) permitted obstructions, as listed in Section [33-42](#), may penetrate the #sky exposure plane# and the height limit of 250 feet. In addition, a dormer shall be allowed as a permitted obstruction pursuant to paragraph (b) of Section [23-413](#) (Permitted obstructions in certain districts).

On a #zoning lot# with frontage of at least 200 feet along at least one #street#, up to 20 percent of the #aggregate width of the street wall# facing such #street#, for a maximum width of 50 feet, may be recessed to a maximum depth of 15 feet from the #street line#, provided the recessed area is located a minimum of 20 feet from an adjacent #building# and that a minimum of 60 percent of such area is planted with any combination of grass, ground cover, shrubs, trees or other living plant material in the ground or in planters permanently affixed to the ground.