



Zoning Resolution

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142-20 - SPECIAL FLOOR AREA REGULATIONS

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The underlying #floor area# regulations are modified by the provisions of this Section, inclusive.

142-21 - Floor Area Regulations on Waterfront Blocks

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On #waterfront blocks#, the provisions of Section [62-31](#) (Bulk Computations on Waterfront Zoning Lots) shall be modified so that #lot area# that is seaward of the #shoreline# shall not be included for the purpose of determining allowable #floor area# or to satisfy any other #bulk# regulation.

142-22 - Floor Area Regulations in Subareas A2, A3 and B1

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In Subareas A2, A3 and B1, as shown on Map 1 (Special Inwood District – Subdistricts and Subareas) in the Appendix to this Chapter, the #floor area# regulations shall be modified as follows:

For #zoning lots# other than #shoreline adjacent lots# the maximum #residential# #floor area ratio# shall be 4.6. For #shoreline adjacent lots#, the maximum #residential# #floor area ratio# for #qualifying affordable housing# or #qualifying senior housing# shall be as set forth in Section [23-22](#)

(Floor Area Regulations for R6 Through R12 Districts) for the particular district.

For #zoning lots# that are divided by zoning district boundary lines, #floor area# may be distributed within a #zoning lot# without regard to zoning district boundary lines.

#Accessory# parking located below a height of 33 feet shall be exempt from the definition of #floor area#.

142-23 - Floor Area Regulations in Subareas B2 and B3

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In Subarea B2, as shown on Map 1 (Special Inwood District – Subdistricts and Subareas) in the Appendix to this Chapter, all permitted #uses# shall have a permitted #floor area ratio# of 2.0. In Subarea B3, as shown on Map 1, the base #floor area ratio# shall be 5.0, and may be increased only in accordance with the provisions of this Section.

The Chairperson of the City Planning Commission shall allow, by certification, a transfer of #floor area# from a #zoning lot# located in Subarea B2 to a #zoning lot# located in Subarea B3 provided that the provisions of this Section are met. For the purpose of this Section, a “granting lot” shall mean a #zoning lot# within Subarea B2 that transfers #floor area# pursuant to this Section, and a “receiving lot” shall mean a #zoning lot# within Subarea B3 that receives additional #floor area# pursuant to this Section.

Such certification for a transfer of #floor area# shall be subject to the following conditions:

- (a) the maximum amount of #floor area# that may be transferred from a granting lot shall be based on a #floor area ratio# of 2.0, less the total #floor area# of all existing #buildings# on the granting lot and any previously transferred #floor area#;

- (b) each transfer, once completed, shall irrevocably reduce the amount of #floor area# that may be #developed# or #enlarged# on the granting lot by the amount of #floor area# transferred;
- (c) for #developments# or #enlargements#, which in the aggregate for both the granting lot and the receiving lot, involve an increase in the #floor area# of more than 20,000 square feet of the amount existing on August 8, 2018, a waterfront certification pursuant to Section [62-811](#) (Waterfront public access and visual corridors) has been granted; and
- (d) prior to the issuance of a building permit, as set forth in this Section, the owners of the granting lot and the receiving lot shall submit to the Chairperson a copy of the transfer instrument legally sufficient in both form and content to effect such a transfer. Notice of the restrictions upon further #development# or #enlargement# of the granting lot and the receiving lot shall be filed by the owners of the respective lots in the Office of the Register of the City of New York (County of New York). Proof of recordation shall be submitted to the Chairperson.

Both the transfer instrument and the notices of restrictions shall specify the total amount of #floor area# transferred and shall specify, by #block# and lot numbers, the granting lot and the receiving lot that are a party to such transfer.

An application filed with the Chairperson for certification pursuant to this Section shall be made jointly by the owners of the granting lot and the receiving lot, and shall include site plans and zoning calculations for the granting lot and receiving lot showing the additional #floor area# associated with the transfer, and any such other information as may be required by the Chairperson.

The Chairperson shall certify to the Department of Buildings that a #development# or #enlargement# is in compliance with the provisions of this Section only after the transfer instrument and notice of restrictions required by this Section have been executed and recorded with proof of recordation provided to the Chairperson. Such certification shall be a precondition to the filing for or issuing of

any building permit allowing more than the basic maximum #floor area ratio# for such #development#.

A separate application shall be filed for each transfer of #floor area# to any #zoning lot# pursuant to this Section.

142-24 - Floor Area Regulations in Subdistrict D

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For #zoning lots# that are located partially in a #Commercial District# mapped within an R8A District and partially in a #Commercial District# mapped within an R9A District, #residential# #floor area# may transfer across the zoning district boundary from the #Commercial District# mapped within an R8A District to the #Commercial District# mapped within an R9A District.