



## Zoning Resolution

THE CITY OF NEW YORK

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# **23-53 - Special Provisions for Through Lots**

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LAST AMENDED

4/30/2008

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

In all districts, as indicated, the regulations of this Section shall apply to all #through lots#, except as provided in Section [23-471](#) (Beyond one hundred feet of a street line). In the case of a #zoning lot# occupying an entire #block#, no #rear yard# or #rear yard equivalent# shall be required.

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### 23-531 - Excepted through lots

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LAST AMENDED

2/2/2011

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

- (a) In all districts, as indicated, no #rear yard# regulations shall apply to any #through lots# that extend less than 110 feet in maximum depth from #street# to #street#.

R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

- (b) In the districts indicated, for #zoning lots# containing #Quality Housing buildings#, no #rear yard# regulations shall apply to any #zoning lot# that includes a #through lot# portion that is contiguous on one side to two #corner lot# portions and such #zoning lot# occupies the entire #block# frontage of a #street#.

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### 23-532 - Required rear yard equivalents

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LAST AMENDED

3/22/2016

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

In all districts, except for #Quality Housing buildings# in R6 through R10 Districts, the provisions for which are set forth in Section [23-533](#) (Required rear yard equivalents for Quality Housing buildings), on any #through lot# that is 110 feet or more in maximum depth from #street# to #street#, one of the following #rear yard equivalents# shall be provided:

- (a) an open area with a minimum depth of 60 feet, midway (or within five feet of being midway) between the two #street lines# upon which such #through lot# fronts;
- (b) two open areas, each adjoining and extending along the full length of a #street line# and each with a minimum depth of 30 feet measured from such #street line#, except the depth of such required open area along one #street line# may be decreased, provided that:
- (1) a corresponding increase in the depth of the open area along the other #street line# is made; and
  - (2) any required #front yards# or front setback areas are maintained; or
- (c) an open area adjoining and extending along the full length of each #side lot line# with a minimum width of 30 feet measured from each such #side lot line#.

However, in #lower density growth management areas# and in R5D Districts, on any #through lot# at least 180 feet in maximum depth from #street# to #street#, a #rear yard equivalent# shall be provided only as set forth in paragraph (a) of this Section.

Any such #rear yard equivalent# shall be unobstructed from its lowest level to the sky, except as provided in Section [23-44](#) (Permitted Obstructions in Required Yards or Rear Yard Equivalents).

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### **23-533 - Required rear yard equivalents for Quality Housing buildings**

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LAST AMENDED

3/22/2016

R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

For #Quality Housing buildings# in R6 through R10 Districts, on any #through lot# that is 110 feet or more in maximum depth from #street# to #street#, a #rear yard equivalent# consisting of an open area with a minimum depth of 60 feet midway, or within 10 feet of being midway, between the two #street lines# upon which such #through lot# fronts, shall be provided.

However, for #through lots# with a depth of 180 feet or less, an open area with a minimum depth equivalent to the depth required pursuant to Section [23-534](#) (Special provisions for shallow through lots), may be provided, and additionally, one of the following #rear yard equivalents# may be provided as an alternative:

- (a) two open areas, each adjoining and extending along the full length of a #street line# and each with a minimum depth of 30 feet measured from such #street line#, except the depth of such required open area along one #street line# may be decreased, provided that a corresponding increase in the depth of the open area along the other #street line# is made; or
- (b) an open area adjoining and extending along the full length of each #side lot line# with a minimum width of 30 feet measured from each such #side lot line#, except that the width of such required open area along one #side lot line# may be decreased, provided that a corresponding increase in the depth of the open area along the other #street line# is made. If an open area along a #side lot line# is provided, it shall be at least eight feet.

Any such #rear yard equivalent# shall be unobstructed from its lowest level to the sky, except as provided in Section [23-44](#) (Permitted Obstructions in Required Yards or Rear Yard Equivalents).

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### **23-534 - Special provisions for shallow through lots**

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LAST AMENDED

3/22/2016

R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

- (a) In the districts indicated, if a #through lot# :
  - (1) is less than 180 feet deep at any point; and
  - (2) was less than 180 feet deep, both on December 15, 1961, and on the date of application for a building permit;the depth of a required #rear yard equivalent#, or portion thereof, for such #through lot#, may be reduced by one foot for each foot by which the depth of a #zoning lot#, or portion thereof, is less than 180 feet. However, in no event shall the minimum depth of a required #rear yard equivalent#, or portion thereof, provided between two or more #buildings# on a single #zoning lot# be reduced to less than 40 feet, and in no event shall the minimum depth of such required #rear yard equivalent#, or portion thereof, be reduced to less than 20 feet.

(b) Special provisions for #zoning lots# created after December 15, 1961

Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this Section, in R6 through R10 Districts, the special #rear yard equivalent# provisions of this Section may be applied to a #zoning lot# created after December 15, 1961, or portion thereof, provided that the shallow lot condition was in existence on December 15, 1961, and, subsequently, such shallow lot condition on the #zoning lot#, or portion thereof, has neither increased nor decreased in depth.