

Certificate of Survey Requirements

What is the purpose of a Certificate of Survey plan?

A Certificate of Survey is a legal document that details a property's size and shape, as well as the location and dimensions of all existing and proposed structures, facilities, and surfaces. The only way to accurately determine your property lines and ensure that proposed improvements meet required setbacks is by having a Licensed Land Surveyor certify these locations. This is important because it verifies that improvements are within the property's boundaries and comply with all required codes, setbacks and impervious surfaces.

When is a Certificate of Survey needed?

A Certificate of Survey is required for new home construction or when setbacks and/or property lines cannot be accurately located.

What is required on a Certificate of Survey?

Before submitting a Certificate of Survey for review, please ensure that all items listed below are included. Omitting **any** of these items will result in the Certificate of Survey being returned to the applicant for revisions, which **will delay the review process.**

Required Information	Survey
Address of Property or Full Legal Description	
Street name and all adjacent street names	
Proposed location of new improvements and distance to all property lines	
Location and size of ALL existing structures on the property.	
Location and dimensions of <u>ALL</u> impervious surfaces (i.e. sidewalks, asphalt, class-5 gravel, accessory buildings, etc.) <i>if the property is under 5 acres</i>	
Location and distance to septic tanks (N/A if connected to municipal utilities)	
Location and distance to drainfield (N/A if connected to municipal utilities)	
Identification and distance to the alternate drain field - homes built after 1996 will have 2 drain fields. (N/A if connected to municipal utilities)	
Location and distance to well (N/A if connected to municipal utilities)	
Width of driveway at the right of way and dimensions/sq feet (if a new driveway is being installed)	
Lot dimensions & total square feet/acres of the lot	

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List of symbols (i.e. north arrow, drainage, benchmarks, etc.)	
Complete name, address, phone number, license number & signature of surveyor	
Location & distance from all easements (i.e. driveway, utility, drainage, wetland, conservation, etc.)	
Location and distance from wetlands & floodplain (if applicable)	
 Grade Elevations which must include the following: <i>Existing</i> and <i>proposed</i> elevations at each lot corner. Crown of street at each lot line extended, or top of curb/edge. <i>Existing</i> and <i>proposed</i> elevations at all major corners of proposed structure. Proposed lowest floor (per approved grading plan). Proposed garage floor. Proposed top of foundation. The top and toe of all other slopes. The proposed mid-point or proposed critical point along each property line, if applicable. 	
Soil borings showing Lowest Floor Elevation in relation to mottled soil.	
Identification of scale (i.e. 30 ' = one inch)	
Flood Zone, if applicable.	
Ordinary High Water Level (OHWL), if applicable.	
Provide a note that indicates the septic sites are to be marked and protected prior to and during all construction activity.	