

SECTION 1000 – SPECIAL USE REQUIREMENTS

1014. ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS [Added 06/28/18; Ord. 906; Amended 6/29/23 Ord. 928 to incorporate SB 644]

1014.01 General Provisions

- A. The following provisions shall apply to accessory dwelling units (ADU's) on lands zoned for rural residential use, located within an Urban Growth Boundary (UGB):
1. The lot or parcel shall be located within an Urban Growth Boundary (UGB).
 2. A maximum of one ADU is allowed per principal single-family dwelling. The unit may be a detached building, in a portion of a detached accessory building (e.g. above a garage or shop), or a unit attached or interior to the primary dwelling (e.g. an addition or the conversion of an existing floor).
 3. A recreational vehicle is not permitted to be used as an ADU.
 4. ADU's shall, if possible, utilize the same driveway as the principal dwelling.
 5. ADU's are exempted from the parcel coverage and dwelling density standards.
 5. Short-term rental of the ADU is prohibited. For purposes of this provision, short-term rental is defined as fee-based occupancy for a period less than 30 consecutive days. Month to month rental agreements for long-term purposes is not short-term rental when the renter(s) remains the same each month.
- B. In addition to the provisions of Section 1014.01(A), the following additional provisions shall apply to ADU's on lands zoned for rural residential use, located outside of a UGB:
1. The lot or parcel is at least two acres in size and not within an urban reserve as defined in ORS 195.137.
 2. The ADU will be located no farther than 100 feet from the existing single-family dwelling;
 3. If the water supply source for the ADU or associated lands or gardens will be a well using water under ORS 537.545 (1)(b) or (d), no portion of the lot or parcel is within an area in which new or existing ground water uses under ORS 537.545 (1)(b) or (d) have been restricted by the Water Resources Commission;
 - a. The ADU constructed under this section shall be served by the same water supply source or water supply system as the existing single-family dwelling, provided such use is allowed for the ADU by an existing water right or a use under ORS 537.545. If the ADU is served by a well, the construction of the ADU shall maintain all setbacks from the well required by the Water Resources Commission or Water Resources Department.

- b. An existing single-family dwelling and an ADU allowed under this section are considered a single unit for the purposes of calculating ground water right exemptions under ORS 537.545 (1).
- 4. The lot or parcel is located within a fire protection district with professionals who have received training or certification described in ORS 181A.410;
- 5. If the lot or parcel is in an area identified on the statewide map of wildfire risk described in ORS 477.490 as within the wildland-urban interface, the lot or parcel and ADU comply with any applicable minimum defensible space requirements for wildfire risk reduction established by the State Fire Marshal under ORS 476.392 and any applicable local requirements for defensible space established by a local government pursuant to ORS 476.392;
- 6. The ADU complies with the construction provisions of section R327 of the Oregon Residential Specialty Code, if:
 - (a) The lot or parcel is in an area identified as extreme or high wildfire risk on the statewide map of wildfire risk described in ORS 477.490; or
 - (b) No statewide map of wildfire risk has been adopted and the county has adopted land use regulations that ensure that:
 - (i) The accessory dwelling unit has adequate setbacks from adjacent lands zoned for resource use. The ADU is setback a minimum of 30 feet from adjacent lands zoned Exclusive Farm use (Section 402); and 60 feet from adjacent lands zoned Agriculture/Forestry Large Holding (Section 403) and Forestry (Section 401);
 - (ii) The ADU, if adjacent to lands zoned Forestry (Section 401) or Agriculture/Forestry Large Holding (Section 403), meets the firebreak requirements of Section 401.09(F) & (G);
 - (iii) The ADU has adequate access for firefighting equipment, safe evacuation and staged evacuation areas as determined by the local fire district; and
 - (iv) If the accessory dwelling unit is not in an area identified on the statewide map of wildfire risk described in ORS 477.490 as within the wildland-urban interface, the accessory dwelling unit complies with the provisions of this section and any applicable local requirements for defensible space established by a local government pursuant to ORS 476.392 as developed in consultation with local fire protection service providers.

1014.02 Standards and Requirements.

- A. Accessory dwelling units (ADU’s), where allowed, are subject to review and approval through a Type A application procedure as set forth in Section 1301, and shall meet the following development standards:
 - 1. If interior or attached:

- a. Shall be a maximum of 900 square feet in floor area or 75% of the primary dwelling's floor area, whichever is less. However, ADU's that result from the conversion of a level or floor (e.g. basement, attic or second story) of the primary dwelling may occupy the entire level or floor, even if the floor area of the ADU would be more than 900 square feet.
 - b. Shall meet the same height requirements as the primary dwelling on the property.
 - c. Shall meet the same setbacks as required of the primary dwelling in the underlying zoning district, or the setbacks as required by 1014.01(B)(6), whichever is applicable.
2. If detached:
 - a. Shall be a maximum of 900 square feet in floor area or 75% of the primary dwelling's floor area, whichever is less.
 - b. Shall not exceed 25 feet in height or the height of the primary dwelling, whichever is less;
 - c. Shall maintain the setbacks of the underlying zoning district, or the setbacks as required by 1014.01(B)(6), whichever is applicable.
3. An ADU is not allowed if the existing single-family dwelling is subject to an order declaring it a nuisance or subject to any pending action under ORS 105.550 to 105.600;
4. A subdivision, partition or other division of the lot or parcel is not allowed if it would result in the existing single-family dwelling being situated on a different lot or parcel than ADU.
5. The ADU will comply with all applicable laws and regulations relating to sanitation and wastewater disposal and treatment;
6. Conversion of an existing legal non-conforming structure to an ADU is allowed, provided that the conversion does not increase the non-conformity.