

ZONING CODE

Z Attachment 4

City of Waltham

Sec. 3.4. Table of Uses.

[Amended 6-10-1991 by Ord. No. 27154; 6-10-1991 by Ord. No. 27156; 12-12-1991 by Ord. No. 27265; 12-23-1991 by Ord. No. 27265; 3-8-1993 by Ord. No. 27503; 5-9-1994 by Ord. No. 27715; 5-23-1994 by Ord. No. 27732; 1-11-1995 by Ord. No. 27853-A; 3-28-1995 by Ord. No. 27884; 5-22-1995 by Ord. No. 27909; 5-13-1996 by Ord. No. 28125; 5-28-1996 by Ord. No. 28135; 8-4-1997 by Ord. No. 28403; 2-26-2001 by Ord. No. 29197; 5-28-2002 by Ord. No. 29513; 12-23-2002 by Ord. No. 29628; 3-1-2005 by Ord. No. 30012; 4-28-2008 by Ord. No. 30876; 12-22-2008 by Ord. No. 31011; 6-23-2009 by Ord. No. 31147; 6-27-2011 by Ord. No. 31583; 10-16-2013 by Ord. No. 32037; 12-9-2013 by Ord. No. 32080; 1-13-2014 by Ord. No. 32097; 6-23-2014 by Ord. No. 33106; 3-14-2016 by Ord. No. 33408; 3-27-2017 by Ord. No. 33702; 8-1-2017 by Ord. No. 33817; 9-10-2018 by Ord. No. 34192; 12-10-2018 by Ord. No. 34282; 4-22-2019 by Ord. No. 34437; 5-28-2019 by Ord. No. 34472; 2-24-2020 by Ord. No. 34743; 2-22-2021 by Ord. No. 35039; 12-26-2023 by Ord. No. 36132]

Use With Special Permit Reference	RA-1	RA-2	RA-3	RA-4	RB	RC	RD	HR1	HR2	BA	BB	BC(1)	LC	C	I	C/R	Use Reference
Residential																	
Single-family detached (Sec. 3.606)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	S1	S1	N	N	N	N	N	3.21
Two-family detached (Sec. 3.607)	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	S1	S1	N	N	N	N	N	3.22
Accessory dwelling units (Sec. 3.616)	S2	S2	S2	S2	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	3.23
Multifamily dwellings (Sec. 3.618)	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	Y	Y1	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	N	N	N	3.24
Rooming houses	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y1	Y1	Y	N	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	N	N	N	3.25
Lodging houses (Sec. 3.639)	N	N	N	N	N	S1	N	N	N	S1	S1	S1	N	N	N	N	3.26
Hotels/motels (Sec. 3.617)	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	N	N	N	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	N	N	3.27
Family day-care homes (Sec. 3.609)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	S1	S1	S1	N	N	N	N	3.28
Medical offices in residences	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	3.29
Customary home occupations (Sec. 3.611)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	3.210
Accessory uses/residential (Sec. 4.22)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	3.211
Garage, private	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	3.212
Trailer/mobile home	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	3.213
Institutional																	
Churches	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3.214
Educational uses	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3.215
Municipal buildings	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	3.216
Cemeteries	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	3.217

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Hospitals, sanitoriums, nursing homes, philanthropic institutions (Sec. 3.610)	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	Y (3.811)	Y (3.811)	S1	S1	S1	N	N	N	N	3.218
Assisted living facilities	N	N	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	Y1	Y1	S1	S1	N	N	N	N	N	3.218A
Cat shelter	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	N	N	S1	S1	S1	Y	Y	Y	N	3.218B
Public service corporations (Sec. 3.614)	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	N	S2	S2	N	3.219
Membership clubs (Sec. 3.608)	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	Y1	Y1	N	Y1	Y1	S1	3.220
Garages, public	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y (3.811)	Y (3.811)	Y1	Y1	Y1	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	3.221
Commercial																	
Retail stores (Sec. 3.634)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.222, 3.27
Body art establishments (Sec. 3.222A)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	2.347
Laundromats	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.223
Business and professional offices and banks	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y (3.811)	S1 (3.811)	Y1	Y1	Y1	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	3.224
Organ procurement organization	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	3.224A
Drive-in customer service (Sec. 3.635)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	N	3.225
Arcades	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	3.226
Retail gasoline stations (Sec. 3.634)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	N	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.227
Restaurants	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.228
Retail bakery	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.228C
Delicatessen	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.228D
Fast-food establishments (Sec. 3.620)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	N	N	S1	S1	N	3.229
Taverns	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	N	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.230
Micro-brewery restaurant	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	S1	N	N	N	3.228A
Catering establishments	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	N	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.231
Funeral homes	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.232
Private schools	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.233
Radio and television broadcasting studios	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	3.234
Radio, television, microwave, communication, radar or other tower (Sec. 3.621)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	3.234

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Indoor theaters	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	S1	S1	N	3.235
Newspaper publishing and printing	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.236
Car wash (Sec. 3.622)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	N	N	S1	S1	N	3.237
Wholesale, storage and warehousing	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	N	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.238
Off-street parking (Sections 3.601 through 3.605)	Y	Y	Y	Y	S1	S1	S1	Y (3.811)	Y (3.811)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	3.239
Used car lot (Sec. 3.632)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	N	N	S1	S1	N	3.240
Associated commercial recreation (Sec. 3.636)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	N	3.267
Accessory uses/commercial	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y (3.811)	Y (3.811)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3.241
Tea shop	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	Y1	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	3.228B
Animal shelter (Sec 3.643)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	S1	N	3.226D
Kennel (Sec. 3.644)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	S1	N	3.226E
Medical marijuana treatment center (Sec. 11.210)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	N	Use Reference Article XI
Medical marijuana cultivation (Sec. 11.28)	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	Use Reference Article XI
Electronic game center	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	3.226G
Marijuana establishments (nonmedical marijuana)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	N	
Commercial marijuana cultivation (nonmedical marijuana)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	N	
Smoke shop (Sec. 3.647)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	S1	N	S1	S1	N	3.222B
Cafe	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.228E
Industrial																	
Accessory off-street parking	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y (3.811)	Y (3.811)	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	3.242
Railroad and transit station	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	3.243
Windmills	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y1	Y1	N	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.244
Electric lighting, gas works and power stations	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	3.245
Fuel oil and gas storage	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	3.246

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Heavy trucking and equipment storage (Sec. 3.628)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	N	3.247
Open storage	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	3.248
Truck or private bus terminals	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	Y1	N	3.249
Light manufacturing (Sec. 3.623)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.250	
Research labs, structures and accessory uses	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y (3.811)	SI (3.811)	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	Y1	N	3.251
General manufacture	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	Y1	N	3.252
Autobody shop (Sec. 3.626)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	N	3.253
Plastics manufacturing (Sec. 3.629)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	N	3.254
Steam laundry	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y1	N	3.255
Heliports-airports (Sec. 3.627)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	N	N	N	S1	S1	N	N	3.256
Junkyards (Sec. 3.633)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	N	3.257
Garbage dumps and sanitary landfills	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	3.258
Composting facility (3.640)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	N	3.2581
Yard waste transfer station (3.641)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	N	3.2582
Organic products storage (3.642)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	N	3.2583
Automobile recycling center	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	N	3.259
Accessory uses/manufacturing	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	3.260
Adult entertainment enterprises (Sec. 2.303A)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	N	3.2421
Agriculture																	
Farms	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3.261
Livestock farms under 5 acres (Sec. 3.612)	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	S2	N	3.262
Livestock farms over 5 acres	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3.262
Farm stands	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	3.263
Conservation/Recreation																	
Conservation, water and water supply area	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	3.264
Public outdoor recreation facility	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	3.265
Semipublic outdoor recreation facility (Sec. 3.630)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	3.266

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Conservation/Recreation																	
Nonprofit sports/recreational clubs with grounds for games and sports	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	S1	Y1	3.220A
Commercial recreational facilities, outdoor	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	S1	Y1	3.226B
Commercial recreational facilities, indoor (Sec. 3.608A)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	S1	S1	3.226A
Commercial conservation/nature facilities	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	S1	S1	S1	S1	3.226C
Small athletic and fitness facilities, indoor	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Use Reference 3.226F

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NOTES:

(1) Residential uses shall only be allowed in the BC District on upper floors (floors two through five) unless development occurs as part of a Riverfront Overlay District special permit (See Section 8.4.) or as part of an intensity of use special permit, provided that in no case shall any first-floor residential unit or portion thereof be located on or within 50 feet of the street line of any of the followings streets: Elm Street, Main Street, Moody Street. In the BC District, residential uses shall have separate and distinct entrances from any and all commercial uses, and commercial and residential uses shall not be located on the same floor, except that commercial and residential uses may be allowed on the first floor where development occurs as part of an intensity of use special permit, provided that in no case shall any first-floor residential unit or portion thereof be located on or within 50 feet of the street line of any of the followings streets: Elm Street, Main Street, Moody Street. Multiple residential and/or nonresidential principal buildings may be allowed in the BC District on the same lot when development occurs as part of an intensity of use special permit, provided that all other provisions of Section 4.215 shall be complied with. Further, in instances of new residential construction, excluding rehabilitation or remodeling of existing structures, said residential uses shall be permitted to abut other structures of any type on only one side, and all other sides shall be at least 25 feet from all other structures.