

A temporary or permanent canvas roof-like structure extending over any place as a shelter from the sun, wind, or rain such as a door, window, porch, or patio.

[Added 11-2-1999]

BANNER

A sign on any lightweight material, either enclosed or not enclosed in a rigid frame, and secured, mounted, suspended or displayed in a manner to allow movement caused by wind.

[Added 11-5-1991]

BASAL AREA

The area of a cross section of a tree stem at 4.5 feet above ground level and inclusive of bark.

[Added 6-8-2010]

BASEMENT

Any portion of a structure with a floor-to-ceiling height of six feet or more and having more than 50% of its volume below the existing ground level.

[Amended 11-3-2009]

BED-AND-BREAKFAST I

Overnight accommodations and a morning meal in an owner-occupied dwelling unit constructed before June 8, 2010, provided to transients for compensation. Breakfast is included in the room rate.

[Amended 6-8-2010]

BED-AND-BREAKFAST II

Overnight accommodations and a morning meal in a dwelling unit occupied by the owner/innkeeper or a designated employee constructed before June 8, 2010, provided to transients for compensation. Breakfast is included in the room rate.

[Added 6-8-2010]

BED-AND-BREAKFAST III

Overnight accommodations and a morning meal in a dwelling unit occupied by the owner/innkeeper or a designated employee provided to transients for compensation. Breakfast is included in the room rate.

[Added 6-8-2010]

BED-AND-BREAKFAST IV

Overnight accommodations, a morning meal, and additional meals in a dwelling unit occupied by the owner/innkeeper or a designated employee constructed before June 8, 2010, provided to transients for compensation. Breakfast is included in the room rate. The meals may be open to the public.

[Added 6-8-2010]

BED-AND-BREAKFAST V

Overnight accommodations, a morning meal, and additional meals in a dwelling unit occupied by the owner/innkeeper or a designated employee provided to transients for compensation. Breakfast is included in the room rate. The meals may be open to the public.

[Added 6-8-2010]

BILLBOARD

See "sign."

BLOCK FACE

The buildings located along a side of a street within a block.

[Added 11-2-1999]

BOAT LAUNCHING FACILITY

A facility designed primarily for the launching and landing of watercraft and which may include an access ramp, docking area, and parking spaces for vehicles and trailers.

[Added 11-5-1991]

A retail store located within a marina selling supplies and equipment for boats.

SHORELAND DISTRICT OR ZONE

The land area located within 250 feet, horizontal distance, of the normal high water line of any great pond or river; within 250 feet, horizontal distance, of the upland edge of a coastal wetland, including all areas affected by tidal action; within 250 feet of the upland edge of a freshwater wetland; or within 75 feet, horizontal distance, of the normal high water line of a stream.

[Amended 11-5-1991; 11-4-2008]

SHORELINE

The normal high water line, or upland edge of a freshwater or coastal wetland.

[Added 11-4-2008]

SHORT-TERM RENTAL

Includes vacation rental, vacation rental-1 (VR-1) and vacation rental-2 (VR-2).

[Added 11-2-2021]

SIGN

An object, device or display, or part thereof, whether freestanding, portable, affixed to a building or otherwise, situated outdoors or indoors, which is directed at persons outside or off the premises, used to advertise, identify, display, direct or attract attention to an object, person, institution, organization, business, product, service, event or location by any means, including words, letters, figures, design, symbols, fixtures, colors, illumination or projected images. This definition shall not, however, be construed to include merchandise or decorative displays.

[Amended 11-5-1991]

SIGN AREA

The exposed surface of the sign, including all ornamentation, embellishment, background, and symbols, but excluding the structure which does not form a part of the message of the sign measured in square feet. Regardless of the shape of the sign, the area of a sign shall be the smallest rectangle which encloses the whole message. The total sign area for a premise means the sum of the areas of all signs visible from public streets, sidewalks, parks, etc. This includes small signs attached to the principal sign for a premises. Examples of the latter are exemplified by small signs indicating "fireplaces," "swimming pool," or "Master Card, Diners Club or American Express accepted." For a sign with a double signboard or display area, where the sign faces are parallel and the faces duplicate one another, only one side shall be counted in calculating allowable area.

[Amended 11-5-1991; 6-9-2009]

SIGN, FREESTANDING

A sign that is not fixed or otherwise attached to a principal or accessory structure.

[Amended 6-9-2009]

SIGNIFICANT RIVER SEGMENTS

See 38 M.R.S.A. § 437.

[Added 11-5-1991]

SIGNIFICANT VERNAL POOL

A naturally occurring temporary to permanent inland body of water that forms in a shallow depression and typically fills during the spring or fall and may dry during the summer. The vernal pool contains no viable populations of predatory fish, and it provides the primary breeding habitat for wood frogs, spotted salamanders, blue-spotted salamanders or fairy shrimp. The presence of any one or more of these species is usually conclusive evidence of a vernal pool. Only significant vernal pools that have been mapped or identified by a Town-authorized agency prior to project approval shall be considered as being within this definition. A significant vernal pool further means that there are multiple species present, or that the vernal pool is part of a corridor of other vernal pools, or that the pool is adjacent to a wetland.

[Added 6-13-2006^[20]]

SIGN, INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED

A sign with a light source incorporated into the body of the sign and where light emanates through, or from, the message of the sign; there are five types, as follows: