

## Sec. 520 GRADING PERMITS

No grading, including any act by which soil, rock, or mineral matter is cut into, dug, quarried, uncovered, removed, displaced, or relocated, and including the removal of vegetable cover, excavation, and land balancing, shall be undertaken without first obtaining a grading permit from the Zoning Administrator and upon payment of a fee of \$10 per acre or fraction thereof, but not exceeding \$200, and a performance bond or other security in the amount necessary to insure compliance with the requirements of Sec. 521. No grading permit shall be required for agricultural, horticultural and forestry activities, the construction of a driveway which does not at any point vary from the surrounding grade by more than one foot, the normal graveling or grading of a road or driveway, any project that does not involve, in any one year, an area exceeding 2,000 sq. feet or more than 1000 cubic yards or material, or construction or maintenance of a septic tank or associated drain field. No grading permit for operations requiring more than one year for completion shall be issued except for lands in District I.

In addition, no grading permit shall be required for activities for which a permit has been issued pursuant to the provisions of the Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Act, Act 347, Public Acts of 1972.