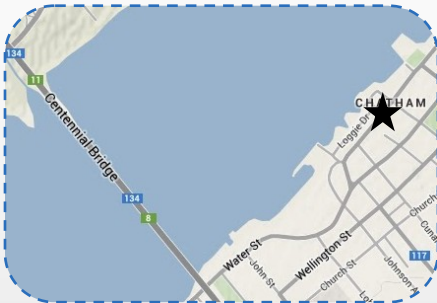


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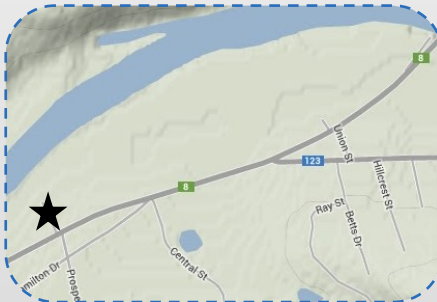


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# Barrier-Free Design Building Code Regulation *Site Plan Requirements*

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The *Barrier-Free Design Building Code Regulation* (Community Planning Act, Regulation 2011-61) was adopted on January 1, 2015. For the purposes of subsection 59(6) of the Act, the regulation is a supplement to the current National Building Code of Canada in effect (2010 as of the release of this info booklet). The intent of the Regulation is to increase building accessibility for all New Brunswickers, regardless of their physical abilities. Though a supplement to the Code, the Regulation also has many site planning

### Conflict with Existing Zoning Provisions

## Exemptions

Subsection 3.8.1.1 (1) of the Regulation contains a list of exemptions from the requirements therein. Generally speaking, small-scale residential, emergency response, and industrial buildings are exempt. However, please contact us and ask to speak with a Building Inspector if you are unsure of whether or not the Regulation applies to your proposed building/development.

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## Site Planning Implications

In addition to the number of required barrier-free parking spaces, there are other site planning requirements in the Regulation. Though not exhaustive, the following are noteworthy:

- Barrier-free paths of travel of firm, slip-resistant and level surface of asphalt, concrete, or compacted gravel are required between designated parking spaces and building entrances (e.g. curb cuts, ramps, passenger-elevating devices).
- An access aisle of minimum 1.5m by 6.0m (2.75m height clearance) is required for an exterior passenger loading zone.
- Each barrier-free parking space must have a minimum width of 2.6m with an adjacent access aisle of 2.0m (e.g. in the City of Miramichi Zoning By-law, a space of 4.6m by 5.8m would

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meet this requirement).

- Adjacent barrier-free parking spaces can share a common 2.0m access aisle.
- Parallel barrier-free parking spaces require a minimum of 7.5m in length and the above-noted minimum widths.
- Each barrier-free parking space must be located a minimum of 50m from a designated entrance and be indicated by a sign per the Regulation.

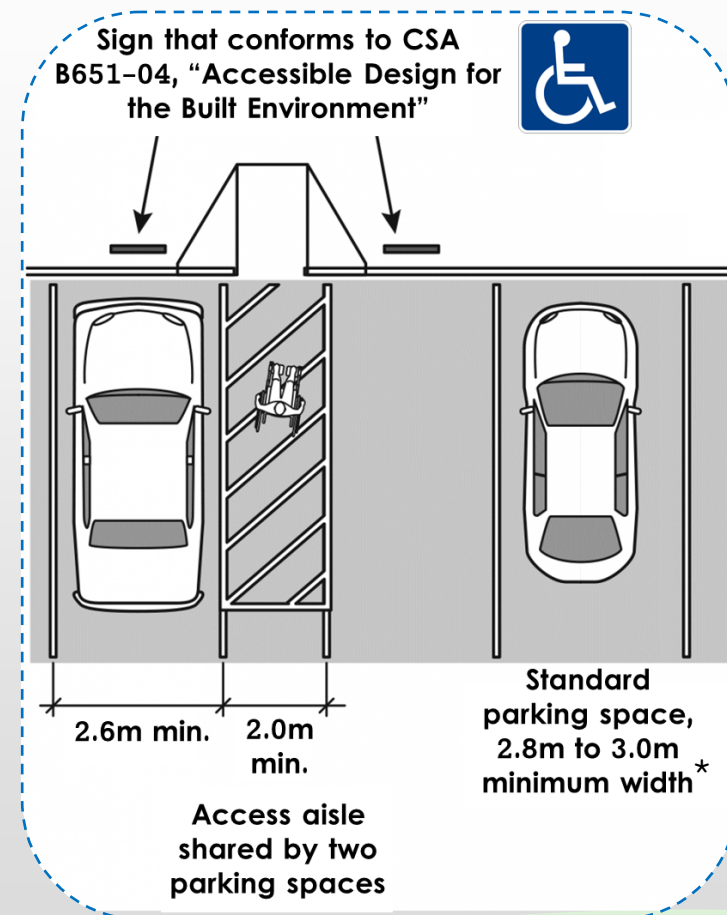
The following examples, though not exhaustive, show how the above may translate into Development Officer requirements indicated on the site plan:

- Note and dimension required barrier-free parking spaces;
- Note the type(s) of surfaces;
- Dimension the width of certain areas that appear to be too narrow;
- Note where ramps, curb cuts, etc. are located; and
- Provide the details of required signage (e.g. freestanding or fascia).

## Review

Because the Regulation is a supplement to the Code, the Building Inspector has the authority to approve this aspect of the site plan. However, Planners will also help the review process by

assessing compliance with the Regulation. For interpreting the Regulation in advance of drafting plans for your development proposal, it is advised that you call us and ask to speak with a Building Inspector.



\* The minimum width and length of a standard parking space will depend on the respective rural plan or zoning by-law in effect.

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### Implications for Small-Scale Commercial Developments

The biggest discrepancy between the Regulation and existing zoning provisions is the requirement of one (1) barrier free space for the provision of two (2) or more standard parking spaces. For a new small commercial development, for example, the parking requirement may be two (2) spaces, but one (1) of which must be barrier-free. All other associated barrier-free site planning requirements also apply.

### Number of Required Barrier Free Spaces

If the Regulation applies to your proposed development, the number of required barrier-free parking spaces will be determined by:

- A) The table below (Table 3.8.2.2 from the Regulation); or
- B) Number of 'viewing positions' in assembly occupancies; or
- C) Number of barrier-free residential suites provided.

The more stringent of the above shall be in force.

Number of Parking Stalls [Provided]	Number of Designated Stalls Required for Wheelchairs
2 – 15	1
16 – 45	2
46 – 100	3
101 – 200	4
201 – 300	5
301 – 400	6
401 – 500	7
501 – 900	8
901 – 1300	9
1301 – 1700	10
Each increment of up to 400 stalls in excess of 1700	One additional space