

DRIVEWAY PERMITS
REQUIREMENTS
Article VI - Zoning Ordinance

1. Except in the case of single and two family dwellings the general layout shall be such that there will be no need for motorists to back over public right of way.
2. Access drives shall be paved from the edge of the cartway to a point 50 feet from the centerline of the public road with a material equal or better than the cartway paving in accordance with township requirements. Any portion of an access drive beyond the 50 feet shall be improved with a surface capable of year round use and shall be maintained dust and mud free. Access drives for single and two-family dwellings shall not exceed 22 feet in width for one or two car garages. Access drives for all other uses shall not exceed 35 feet in width, measured at right angles to the centerline of the drive, within 12 feet of the street right-of-way line, excepting as increased by permissible curb return radii.
3. The number of access drives shall not exceed two per lot on any one street frontage. The Loyalsock Township Planning Commission may grant permission for additional access drives where required to meet exceptional circumstances and where frontage of unusual length exists.
4. Access drives shall not cross the street right-of-way line within 50 feet of the street right-of-way line of an intersecting street.
5. Access drives shall not be constructed within;
 - A. 5 feet of a fire hydrant, catch basin or drain inlet.
 - B. 20 feet of another access drive.
 - C. 10 feet from a property line in a commercial or industrial district.
 - D. 3 feet of a property line in a residential area unless two adjoining owners mutually agree to a common access drive or agree to allow the adjoining property owner to place a driveway closer than 3 feet from his or her lot line.
6. A leveling area must be provided at the intersection of any driveway or access drive and any road. Said leveling area shall extend from the edge of shoulder or curb to a point 30 feet from centerline of existing thoroughfare. This leveling area may not exceed 7% unless recommended by the township engineer and approved by the Board of Supervisors. A leveling area at least 18 feet in length of the same percent of slope must be maintained directly outside the garage.

7. General safety requirements; sight distance. Driveways shall be located in a safe relationship to sight distance and barriers to vision, and shall not exceed a slope of 10% within 12 feet of the street line. Where drives enter a bank through a cut, unless a retaining wall is used, the side slopes of the cut shall not be graded to more than ½ foot vertical to one foot horizontal within 10 feet of the point the drive intersects with the right-of-way line. The existing slope of the shoulder of the public road shall be maintained.
8. Submission of plans. A scaled drawing of proposed off-street parking and loading area, access drives and walks shall be submitted as part of the required plot plan. Any plan requiring access onto a state highway shall be approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation in addition to township approval.
9. The Township Codes Officer or Road Superintendent may require:
 - A. Additional drawings and information.
 - B. Review by Township Engineer which cost will be the responsibility of the applicant or owner.
10. **It is the responsibility of the contractor to contact the PA one-call system prior to construction so that all utilities are marked within the area of the excavation. PA one call - 1-800-242-1776.**

Driveway Info