

Ordinance Language*
(Section 2.7)

Projections into yards.

- B. *An open, unenclosed, and uncovered porch, paved terrace, deck, balcony, or window awning may project no further than ten (10) feet into a required front yard, no further than fifteen (15) feet into a required rear yard, and shall not project into a required side yard. In no case shall a porch, deck, balcony or awning be placed closer than five (5) feet to any front or rear lot line, with the exception of the B-1 Community Business District where the porch, deck, balcony or awning may extend to the lot line.*
- C. *Any porch, terrace, deck or balcony which is enclosed shall meet the minimum setback requirements of the main building or accessory building to which it is attached.*

***Because Zoning Ordinances are subject to amendments which can change standards and regulations, please speak with the Zoning Administrator for the most up-to-date zoning language.**

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Zoning Permit required from the City of
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Building Permit required from the Ionia
County Building Department
175 E. Adams St. Ionia, MI
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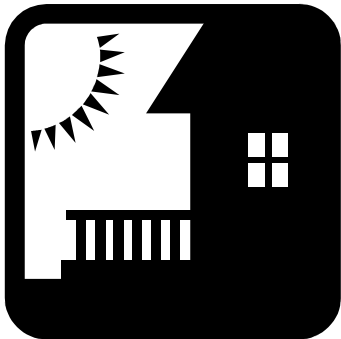
Decks In Residential Zones



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Deck Placement

- ✓ You need a building permit in order to erect a deck if the deck is more than 1 step or 8" off of the ground. Otherwise, you need a zoning permit to erect a deck.
- ✓ Uncovered decks located in front yards may be located no further than 10 feet into the required front yard.
- ✓ Uncovered decks located in rear yards may be located no further than 15 feet into a required rear yard.
- ✓ Decks shall not project into required side yards.
- ✓ In no case may a porch, deck, balcony or awning be placed closer than 5 feet to any front or rear lot line in a residential district.
- ✓ Covered decks are treated like porches and need to comply with the setback requirements of the main building (the house).
- ✓ Second-story decks need to comply with the setbacks of the main building.



Uncovered Decks

