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(12/15/61)

Chapter 2
Use Regulations

(10/9/13)

32-00
GENERAL PROVISIONS

In order to carry out the purposes and provisions of this Resolution, the #uses# of #buildings or other structures# and the open #uses# of #zoning lots#, or portions thereof, have been classified and combined into Use Groups. A brief statement is inserted at the start of each Use Group to describe and clarify the basic characteristics of that Use Group. Use Groups 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, including each #use# listed separately therein, are permitted in #Commercial Districts# as indicated in Sections 32-11 through 32-25, except that any such #use# which is also an #adult establishment# shall, in addition, be subject to the provisions of Section 32-01 (Special Provisions for Adult Establishments).

In Manhattan Community Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, Brooklyn Community Districts 1, 2, 6 and 8, and Queens Community Districts 1 and 2, the #conversion# of non-#residential floor area# to #residences# shall be subject to the provisions of Article I, Chapter 5 (Residential Conversion Within Existing Buildings), unless such #conversions# meet the requirements for #residences# of Article II (Residence District Regulations).

All districts indicated in Column A shall comply with the regulations for districts indicated in Column B except as set forth in the sections indicated in Column C.

Column A	Column B	Column C
C1 and C2 in R9A	R9	32-43
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In a C8 District, any #use# listed in Use Group 11A or 16 that involves the production, processing, cleaning, servicing, testing or repair of products, goods or materials shall conform to the performance standards for M1 Districts as set forth in Sections 42-20 and 42-28 inclusive, relating to Performance Standards.

In C5 and C6 Districts in Manhattan Community Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, all existing lawful #uses# in Use Groups 17B or E in existing enclosed #buildings# erected prior to December 15, 1961, shall be considered conforming and shall conform to the performance standards for M1 Districts as set forth in Sections 42-20 and 42-28, inclusive, relating to Performance Standards. Such #uses# may be #extended# within #buildings# or into #abutting buildings# on the same #zoning lot#.

Whenever a #use# is specifically listed in a Use Group and also could be construed to be incorporated within a more inclusive #use# listing, either in the same or another Use Group, the more specific listing shall control.

The letters A, B, B1, C, D, E, F, G or H in the Parking Requirement Category following a #use# listed in Sections 32-14 to 32-25, inclusive, refer to the classification of #commercial uses# to determine required #accessory# off-street parking spaces as set forth in the table in Section 36-21 (General Provisions).

The #uses# listed in the various Use Groups set forth in Sections 32-11 to 32-25, inclusive, are also listed in alphabetical order in the Index at the end of this Resolution, for the convenience of those using the Resolution. Whenever there is any difference in meaning or implication between the text of these Use Groups and the text of the Index, the text of these Use Groups shall prevail.

In the area, which as a result of #zoning map# change 840260 ZMM is zoned C6-2A, existing lawful meat markets listed in Use Group 17A, in existing enclosed #buildings# erected prior to December 15, 1961, shall be a conforming #use#.

Special regulations applying in the #waterfront area# are set forth in Article VI, Chapter 2.

Special regulations applying in the #flood zone# are set forth in Article VI, Chapter 4.

The following chart sets forth the Use Groups permitted in the various #Commercial Districts#.

USE GROUPS PERMITTED
IN COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS

Districts	Use Groups			
	#Residential#	#Community Facilities#		
	1	2	3	4
Local Retail C1	x	x	x	x
Local Service C2	x	x	x	x
Waterfront Recreation C3	x	x	x	x
General Commercial C4	x	x	x	x
Restricted Central Commercial C5	x	x	x	x
General Central Commercial C6	x	x	x	x
Commercial Amusement C7				
General Service C8				x

Districts	Use Groups												
	Retail & #Commercial#												Gen. Ser-vice
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
Local Retail C1	x	x											
Local Service C2	x	x	x	x	x						x		
Waterfront Recreation C3										x			

General Commercial C4	x	x		x	x	x				x		
Restricted Central Commercial C5	x	x			x	x	x					
General Central Commercial C6	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x				
Commercial Amusement C7									x	x	x	x
General Service C8	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x

(10/13/10)

32-01

Special Provisions for Adult Establishments

In addition to the applicable regulations for the #uses# listed in a permitted Use Group, #adult establishments# shall be subject to the following provisions:

- (a) #Adult establishments# are not permitted in C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, C6-1, C6-2 or C6-3 Districts.
- (b) In C6-4, C6-5, C6-6, C6-7, C6-8, C6-9, C7 or C8 Districts, no #adult establishment# shall be established less than 500 feet from a house of worship, a #school#, a #Residence District#, a C1, C2, C3, C4, C5-1, C6-1, C6-2 or C6-3 District, or a #Manufacturing District#, other than an M1-6M District, in which new #residences# or new #joint living-work quarters for artists# are allowed as-of-right or by special permit or authorization. No provisions or findings of such special permit or authorization which require an assessment of the impact of new #residences# or new #joint living-work quarters for artists# on #commercial# or #manufacturing uses# within a #Manufacturing District# shall be construed as a limitation on the scope of this provision. However, on or after October 25, 1995, an #adult establishment# that otherwise complies with the provisions of this paragraph shall not be rendered #non-conforming# if a house of worship or a #school# is established on or after April 10, 1995, within 500 feet of such #adult establishment#.

- (c) In C6-4, C6-5, C6-6, C6-7, C6-8, C6-9, C7 or C8 Districts, no #adult establishment# shall be established less than 500 feet from a previously established #adult establishment#.
- (d) In C6-4, C6-5, C6-6, C6-7, C6-8, C6-9, C7 or C8 Districts, no more than one #adult establishment# permitted under this Section shall be established on a #zoning lot#.
- (e) In C6-4, C6-5, C6-6, C6-7, C6-8, C6-9, C7 or C8 Districts, #adult establishments# shall not exceed, in total, 10,000 square feet of #floor area# and #cellar# space not used for enclosed storage or mechanical equipment.
- (f) #Adult establishments# which were established on October 25, 1995, and conform to all provisions of the Zoning Resolution relating to #adult establishments# other than the provisions of all or any combination of paragraphs (c), (d), and (e) of this Section, shall not be subject to the provisions of Section 52-77 (Termination of Adult Establishments).

For purposes of this Section, an #adult establishment# shall be established upon the date of a permit issued by the Department of Buildings therefor, or, in the case of an #adult establishment# in existence prior to August 8, 2001, as determined by the Department of Buildings, subject to rules as the Department of Buildings may prescribe regarding the failure to perform work authorized under a permit or to commence operation pursuant to a permit and the discontinuance of an #adult establishment#.

(12/15/61)

32-10
USES PERMITTED AS-OF-RIGHT

(1/18/11)

32-11
Use Groups 1 and 2

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6

Use Groups 1 and 2, as set forth in Sections 22-11 and 22-12. However, in C3A Districts, Use Group 2 shall be limited to #single#- or #two-family detached# or #zero lot line residences#.

In #lower density growth management areas# in the Borough of

Staten Island, except C3A Districts, Use Groups 1 and 2 shall be permitted only within #mixed buildings#. However, no #residences# shall be allowed on the following #zoning lots#, except by special permit pursuant to Section 74-49 (Residential Use in C4-1 Districts in Staten Island):

- (a) any #zoning lot# in a C4-1 District, where such district occupies at least four acres within a #block#; or
- (b) any other #zoning lot# in a C4-1 District, where such #zoning lot# had a #lot area# greater than 20,000 square feet on December 21, 2005, or on any subsequent date.

(7/6/72)

32-12
Use Group 3

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6

Use Group 3, as set forth in Section 22-13.

(7/6/72)

32-13
Use Group 4

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C8

Use Group 4, as set forth in Section 22-14.

(8/17/90)

32-14
Use Group 5

C1* C2** C4 C5 C6 C8

Use Group 5 consists of hotels used primarily for transient occupancy.

A. Transient Accommodations

#Hotels, transient# [PRC-H]

B. #Accessory Uses#

- * In a C1-1, C1-2, C1-3 or C1-4 District, a #transient hotel# shall not be permitted.
- ** In a C2-1, C2-2, C2-3 or C2-4 District, each #transient hotel# shall be located on a #zoning lot# in whole or in part within a 1,000-foot radius of the entrance or exit of a limited-access expressway, freeway, parkway, or highway, all of which prohibit direct vehicular access to abutting land and provide complete separation of conflicting traffic flows, measured from the centerline of the entrance or exit ramp at its intersection with the nearest adjacent #street#.

(3/26/14)

32-15

Use Group 6

C1 C2 C4 C5 C6 C8

Use Group 6 consists primarily of retail stores and personal service establishments which:

- (1) provide for a wide variety of local consumer needs; and
- (2) have a small service area and are, therefore, distributed widely throughout the City.

Public service establishments serving small areas are also included. Retail and service establishments are listed in two subgroups, both of which are permitted in all C1 Districts.

The #uses# listed in subgroup A are also permitted within a #large-scale residential development# to provide daily convenience shopping for its residents.

A. Convenience Retail or Service Establishments

Bakeries, provided that #floor area# used for production shall be limited to 750 square feet per establishment [PRC-B]

Barber shops [PRC-B]

Beauty parlors [PRC-B]

Drug stores [PRC-B]

Dry cleaning or clothes pressing establishments or receiving stations dealing directly with ultimate consumers, limited to 2,000 square feet of #floor area# per establishment, and provided that only solvents with a flash point of not less than 138.2 degrees Fahrenheit shall be used, and total aggregate dry load capacity of machines shall not exceed 60 pounds [PRC-B]

Eating or drinking establishments, including those which provide outdoor table service or have music for which there is no cover charge and no specified showtime, and those which have #accessory# drive-through facilities² [PRC-B]

Food stores, including supermarkets, grocery stores, meat markets, or delicatessen stores [PRC-Either A or B³]

Hardware stores [PRC-B]

Laundry establishments, hand or automatic self-service [PRC-B¹]

Liquor stores, package [PRC-B]

Post offices [PRC-H]

Shoe or hat repair shops [PRC-B]

Stationery stores [PRC-B]

Tailor or dressmaking shops, custom [PRC-B]

Variety stores, limited to 10,000 square feet of #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B]

B. Offices

Offices, business, professional including ambulatory diagnostic or treatment health care, or governmental [PRC-B1]

Veterinary medicine for small animals, provided all activities are conducted within a #completely enclosed building#; where such #building# contains a #residential use#, no access shall be from an entrance serving the #residential# portion [PRC-B1]

C. Retail or Service Establishments

Antique stores [PRC-B]

Art galleries, commercial [PRC-B]

Artists' supply stores [PRC-B]

Automobile supply stores, with no installation or repair services [PRC-B]

Banks, including drive-in banks [PRC-B]

Bicycle sales [PRC-B]

Book stores [PRC-B]

Candy or ice cream stores [PRC-B]

Carpet, rug, linoleum or other floor covering stores, limited to 10,000 square feet of #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B1]

Cigar or tobacco stores [PRC-B]

Clothing or clothing accessory stores, limited to 10,000 square feet of #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B]

Clothing rental establishments, limited to 10,000 square feet of #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B]

Docks for ferries, other than #gambling vessels#, limited to an aggregate operational passenger load, per #zoning lot#, of 150 passengers per half hour. In Community District 1 in the Borough of Brooklyn, docks for ferries with a vessel capacity of up to 399 passengers shall be allowed, provided that such docks are certified by the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission pursuant to Section 62-813 (Docking facilities for ferries or water taxis in certain waterfront areas). The maximum dock capacity is the U. S. Coast Guard-certified capacity of the largest vessel using the dock [PRC-H]

Docks for water taxis, with a vessel capacity of up to 99 passengers. In Community District 1 in the Borough of Brooklyn, such docks shall be certified by the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission pursuant to Section 62-813 (Docking facilities for ferries or water taxis in certain waterfront areas). The maximum dock capacity is the U. S. Coast Guard-certified capacity of the largest vessel using

the dock

Docks or mooring facilities for non-commercial pleasure boats [PRC-H]

Dry goods or fabrics stores, limited to 10,000 square feet of #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B]

Eating or drinking establishments with entertainment, but not dancing, with a capacity of 200 persons or fewer⁴ [PRC-B]

Eating or drinking establishments with musical entertainment but not dancing, with a capacity of 200 persons or fewer [PRC-B]

Electrolysis studios [PRC-B]

Fishing tackle or equipment, rental or sales [PRC-B1]

Florist shops [PRC-B]

Frozen food lockers¹ [PRC-B]

Furniture stores, limited to 10,000 square feet of #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B1]

Furrier shops, custom [PRC-B]

Gift shops [PRC-B]

Interior decorating establishments, provided that #floor area# used for processing, servicing or repairs shall be limited to 750 square feet per establishment [PRC-B]

Jewelry or art metal craft shops [PRC-B]

Leather goods or luggage stores [PRC-B]

Loan offices¹ [PRC-B1]

Locksmith shops¹ [PRC-B]

Medical or orthopedic appliance stores [PRC-B]

Meeting halls¹ [PRC-D]

Millinery shops [PRC-B]

Music stores [PRC-B]

Newsstands, open or enclosed [PRC-B]

Optician or optometrist establishments [PRC-B]

Paint stores [PRC-B]

Pet shops [PRC-B]

Photographic equipment or supply stores [PRC-B]

Photographic studios [PRC-B]

Picture framing shops [PRC-B]

Record stores [PRC-B]

Seed or garden supply stores [PRC-B]

Sewing machine stores, selling household machines only [PRC-B]

Shoe stores [PRC-B]

Sporting or athletic stores [PRC-B]

Stamp or coin stores [PRC-B]

Telegraph offices [PRC-B]

Television, radio, phonograph or household appliance stores, limited to 10,000 square feet of #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B]

Toy stores [PRC-B]

Travel bureaus [PRC-B]

Typewriter stores [PRC-B]

Wallpaper stores [PRC-B]

Watch or clock stores or repair shops [PRC-B]

D. Public Service Establishments⁵

Court houses [PRC-C]

Electric or gas utility substations, open or enclosed, limited in each case to a site of not more than 10,000

square feet¹

Fire or police stations [PRC-C]

Public utility stations for oil or gas metering or regulating¹

Solar energy systems

Telephone exchanges or other communications equipment structures. In all districts the height above #curb level# of such structures not existing on December 15, 1961, shall not exceed that attributable to #commercial buildings# of equivalent #lot coverage#, having an average floor to floor height of 14 feet above the lobby floor which may be as much as 25 feet in height. For the purpose of making this height computation, the gross area of all floors of the #building# including accessory mechanical equipment space except the #cellar# shall be included as #floor area#. Such height computation for the structure shall not preclude the ability to utilize unused #floor area# anywhere on the #zoning lot# or by special permit, subject to the normal provisions of the Resolution.

Terminal facilities at river crossings for access to electric, gas, or steam lines¹

Water or sewage pumping stations¹

E. Clubs

Non-commercial clubs, without restrictions on activities or facilities except for any activity or #use# listed within the definitions of either #adult physical culture establishments# or #physical culture or health establishments# in Section 12-10 [PRC-D]

F. #Accessory Uses#

¹ In C5 Districts, a #use# in Use Group 6, marked with an asterisk, shall not be located on the ground floor of a #building# unless such #use# is at least 50 feet from the #street wall# of the #building# in which it is located, as provided in Section 32-423 (Limitation on ground floor location)

² Eating or drinking places with #accessory# drive-through facilities shall be permitted in C1

Districts only as provided in Section 73-243, and shall not be permitted in C5 Districts

- 3 Food stores with 2,000 square feet or more of #floor area# per establishment are classified in parking requirement category A and food stores with less than 2,000 square feet of #floor area# are classified in parking requirement category B, pursuant to Section 36-21 (General Provisions)
- 4 Permitted in C1-1, C1-2, C1-3, C1-4, C2-1, C2-2, C2-3, C2-4, C3 and C5 Districts, only as provided in Section 73-241
- 5 In a C6-1A District, #uses# in Use Group 6D are not permitted

(4/30/12)

32-16

Use Group 7

C2 C6* C8

Use Group 7 consists primarily of home maintenance or repair services which:

- (1) fulfill recurrent needs of residents in nearby areas;
- (2) have a relatively small service area and are, therefore, widely distributed throughout the City; and
- (3) are incompatible in primary retail districts since they break the continuity of retail frontage.

A. Transient Accommodations

#Motels#, #tourist cabins# or #boatels# [PRC-H]

In C2 Districts, each #motel# or #tourist cabin# shall be located on a #zoning lot# in whole or in part within a 1,000 foot radius of the entrance or exit of a limited-access expressway, freeway, parkway or highway, all of which prohibit direct vehicular access to abutting land and provide complete separation of conflicting traffic flows, measured from the centerline of the entrance or exit ramp at its intersection with the nearest adjacent #street#

B. Retail or Service Establishments

Bicycle rental or repair shops [PRC-B1]

Electrical, glazing, heating, painting, paper hanging, plumbing, roofing or ventilating contractors' establishments, limited to 2,500 square feet of #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B1]

Exterminators [PRC-B1]

Funeral establishments [PRC-H]

Gun repairs [PRC-B1]

Monument sales establishments, with incidental processing to order, but not including the shaping of headstones [PRC-C]

Moving or storage offices, with storage limited to items for retail sale and to 1,500 square feet of #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B1]

Refreshment stands, drive-in [PRC-H]

Sailmaking establishments [PRC-C]

Sign painting shops, limited to 2,500 square feet of #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B1]

Taxidermist shops [PRC-B1]

Trade embalmers [PRC-B1]

Venetian blind, window shade or awning shops, custom, limited to 2,500 square feet of #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B1]

Window cleaning contractors' establishments, including floor waxing and other similar building maintenance services [PRC-B1]

C. Wholesale Establishments

Wholesale establishments, with not more than 1,500 square feet of #accessory# storage per establishment [PRC-B1]

D. Auto Service Establishments

Automobile glass and mirror shops [PRC-B1]

Automobile seat cover or convertible top establishments,
selling or installation [PRC-B1]

Electric vehicle charging stations and automotive battery
swapping facilities [PRC-B1]

Tire sales establishments, including installation services
[PRC-B1]

E. #Accessory Uses#

* In a C6-1A District, #uses# in Use Group 7 are not permitted

(5/8/13)

32-17

Use Group 8

C2 C4 C6 C8

Use Group 8 consists primarily of amusement or service
establishments which:

- (1) are appropriate in local service districts to serve nearby
residential areas; or
- (2) depend on a wide service radius and may appropriately be
located in secondary or major commercial centers.

Since these establishments are generally patronized by customers
for special purposes not associated with retail shopping, they
are appropriate neither in local shopping areas nor in the
restricted central commercial areas.

A. Amusements

*Billiard parlors or pool halls [PRC-D]

*Bowling alleys, limited to not more than 16 lanes per
establishment [PRC-D]

Model car hobby center, including racing, limited to not
more than 8,000 square feet of #floor area# per
establishment [PRC-D]

Theaters [PRC-D]

In C2-5, C2-6, C2-7, C2-8, C4-5, C4-6, C4-7, C6 and C8-4 Districts, in order to prevent obstruction of #street# areas, a new motion picture theater, in a new or existing #building#, shall provide a minimum of four square feet of waiting area within the #zoning lot# for each seat in such theater. The required waiting space shall be either in an enclosed lobby or open area that is covered or protected during inclement weather and shall not include space occupied by stairs or space within 10 feet of a refreshment stand or of an entrance to a public toilet. Such requirements shall not apply to any additional motion picture theater created by the subdivision of an existing motion picture theater.

B. Retail or Service Establishments

*Automobile driving schools [PRC-B]

Ice vending machines, coin-operated, including those machines that are self-contained, dealing directly with the ultimate consumer. Such self-contained machines shall be limited to 1,600 pounds capacity solely for the use of such self-contained machines

Lumber stores, limited to 5,000 square feet of #floor area# per establishment exclusive of that #floor area# used for office and display area, and provided that not more than 400 square feet of #floor area# shall be used for cutting of lumber to size [PRC-B1]

*Pawn shops [PRC-B1]

Television, radio, phonograph or household appliance repair shops [PRC-B]

*Upholstering shops dealing directly with consumers [PRC-B1]

C. Automotive Service Establishments

Automobile rental establishments, except that in the #Long Island City area#, as defined in Section 16-02 (Definitions), the number of automobiles that may be stored in such establishments in C2, C4 or C6 Districts shall not exceed 100 spaces and the maximum size in square feet of such storage area shall not exceed 200 times the number of parking spaces provided, exclusive of entrance/exit ramps

#Public parking garages# or #public parking lots# with a capacity of 150 spaces or less, subject to the provisions set forth for #accessory# off-street parking spaces in

Sections 36-53 (Width of Curb Cuts and Location of Access to the Street), 36-55 (Surfacing) and 36-56 (Screening), and provided that such #public parking lots# are not permitted as of right in C6-1A Districts and such #public parking garages# are not permitted as of right in C2-5, C2-6, C2-7, C2-8, C4-5, C4-5A, C4-5X, C4-6, C4-7, C6, C8-4, M1-4, M1-5, M1-6, M2-3, M2-4 or M3-2 Districts. #Public parking garages# may be open or enclosed, provided that no portion of such #use# shall be located on a roof other than a roof which is immediately above a #cellar# or #basement#.

In the #Manhattan Core#, these #uses# are subject to the provisions of Article I, Chapter 3, and in the #Long Island City area#, as defined in Section 16-02 (Definitions), such #uses# are subject to the provisions of Article I, Chapter 6.

D. Public Service Establishments

Prisons [PRC-H]

E. #Accessory Uses#

- * In a C4 District, a #use# in Use Group 8, marked with an asterisk shall not be located on the ground floor of a #building# unless such #use# is at least 50 feet from the #street wall# of the #building# in which it is located, as provided in Section 32-423 (Limitation on ground floor location)

(2/26/98)

32-18
Use Group 9

C2 C4 C5 C6 C8

Use Group 9 consists primarily of business and other services which:

- (1) serve a large area and are, therefore, appropriate in secondary, major or central commercial shopping areas, and
- (2) are also appropriate in local service districts, since these are typically located on the periphery of major or secondary centers.

A. Retail or Service Establishments

Automobile, motorcycle, #trailer# or boat showrooms or sales, with no repair services and with no preparation of vehicles or boats for delivery [PRC-C]

*Banquet halls [PRC-D]

*Blueprinting or photostatting establishments [PRC-B1]

*Business schools or colleges [PRC-B1]

*Catering establishments [PRC-B1]

*Clothing or costume rental establishments [PRC-B]

Docks for sightseeing, excursion or sport fishing vessels, other than #gambling vessels#, limited to the following aggregate dock capacities per #zoning lot#:

200 in C2 Districts; 500 in C4-1, C4-2, C4-3, C4-4, C8-1, C8-2, C8-3 Districts; 2,500 in C4-4A, C4-5, C4-6, C4-7, C5, C6, C8-4 Districts.

"Dock capacity" is the U.S. Coast Guard-certified capacity of the largest vessel using a dock. "Aggregate dock capacity" is the sum of the dock capacities of all docks on the #zoning lot# [PRC-H]

*Gymnasiums, used exclusively for basketball, handball, paddleball, racketball, squash and tennis. [PRC-B]

*Medical or dental laboratories for research or testing, or the custom manufacture of artificial teeth, dentures or plates, not involving any danger of fire or explosion nor offensive noise, vibration, smoke or other particulate matter, odorous matter, heat, humidity, glare or other objectionable effects [PRC-B1]

*Musical instrument repair shops [PRC-B1]

Plumbing, heating or ventilating equipment showrooms, without repair facilities [PRC-B1]

*Printing establishments, limited to 2,500 square feet of #floor area# per establishment for production [PRC-B1]

Public auction rooms [PRC-D]

*Studios, art, music, dancing or theatrical [PRC-B]

*Trade, or other schools for adults, not involving any danger of fire or explosion nor of offensive noise, vibration, smoke or particulate matter, dust, odorous matter, heat, humidity, glare or other objectionable effects [PRC-B1]

*Typewriter or other small business machine sales, rental or repairs [PRC-B1]

*Umbrella repair shops [PRC-B]

*Wedding chapels [PRC-D]

B. Wholesale Establishments

Hair products for headwear, wholesaling including styling [PRC-B1]

Photographic developing or photographic printing establishments, limited to 2,500 square feet of #floor area# per establishment except that such #floor area# limitation shall not apply in C6 Districts provided such #use# conforms to the performance standards for M1 Districts and to the applicable regulations of Chapter 19 (Fire Prevention Code) of the Administrative Code [PRC-B1]

C. #Accessory Uses#

- * In C4 or C5 Districts, a #use# in Use Group 9, marked with an asterisk, shall not be located on the ground floor of a #building# unless such #use# is at least 50 feet from the #street wall# of the #building# in which it is located, as provided in Section 32-423 (Limitation on ground floor location)

(3/26/14)

32-19 Use Group 10

C4 C5 C6 C8

Use Group 10 consists primarily of large retail establishments (such as department stores) that:

- (1) serve a wide area, ranging from a community to the whole metropolitan area, and are, therefore, appropriate in secondary, major or central shopping areas; and
- (2) are not appropriate in local shopping or local service areas because of the generation of considerable pedestrian, automobile or truck traffic.

A. Retail or Service Establishments

Carpet, rug, linoleum or other floor covering stores, with no limitation on #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B1]

Clothing or clothing accessory stores, with no limitation on #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B]

Department stores [PRC-B]

Depositories for storage of office records, microfilm or computer tapes, or for data processing [PRC-G]

Docks for ferries, other than #gambling vessels#, with no restriction on passenger load. In Community District 1 in the Borough of Brooklyn, such docks shall be certified by the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission, pursuant to Section 62-813 (Docking facilities for ferries or water taxis in certain waterfront areas) [PRC-H]

Dry goods or fabric stores, with no limitation on #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B]

Eating or drinking places, without restrictions on entertainment or dancing, but limited to location in hotels [PRC-D]

Furniture stores, with no limitation on #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B1]

Office or business machine stores, sales or rental [PRC-B1]

Photographic or motion picture production studios [PRC-D]

Radio or television studios [PRC-D]

Television, radio, phonograph or household appliance stores, with no limitation on #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B]

Variety stores, with no limitation on #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B]

B. Wholesale Establishments

Wholesale offices or showrooms, with storage restricted to samples [PRC-B1]

C. #Accessory Uses#

(12/15/61)

32-20

Use Group 11

C5 C6** C8

Use Group 11 consists of a few types of essentially custom manufacturing activities that:

- (1) benefit from a central location and are appropriate in the central business district;
- (2) generally do not create any significant objectionable influences; and
- (3) involve products characterized by a high ratio of value to bulk, so that truck traffic is kept to a minimum.

A. Manufacturing Establishments

*Art needlework, hand weaving or tapestries [PRC-F]

*Books, handbinding or tooling [PRC-F]

*Ceramic products, custom manufacturing [PRC-F]

*Clothing, custom manufacturing or altering for retail [PRC-F]

*Hair products, custom manufacturing [PRC-F]

*Jewelry manufacturing from precious metals [PRC-F]

*Medical, dental, drafting instruments, optical goods, or similar precision instruments [PRC-F]

*Musical instruments, except pianos and organs [PRC-F]

*Orthopedic or medical appliances, custom manufacturing

[PRC-F]

*Printing, custom, limited to 2,500 square feet of #floor area# per establishment for production, provided that such #floor area# limitation shall not apply in C6 Districts
[PRC-F]

*Watchmaking [PRC-F]

B. Wholesale or Similar Establishments

*Ship chandlers [PRC-F]

*Wholesale establishments, with #accessory# storage limited to 2,500 square feet of #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B1]

C. #Accessory Uses#

* In a C5 District, a #use# in Use Group 11, marked with an asterisk, shall not be located on the ground floor of a #building# unless such #use# is at least 50 feet from the #street wall# of the #building# in which it is located, as provided in Section 32-423 (Limitation on ground floor location)

** In a C6-1A District, #uses# in Use Group 11 are not permitted

(5/8/13)

32-21

Use Group 12

C4 C6 C7 C8

Use Group 12 consists primarily of fairly large entertainment facilities that:

- (1) have a wide service area and generate considerable pedestrian, automotive or truck traffic; and
- (2) are, therefore, appropriate only in secondary, major or central commercial areas.

Certain public service establishments are also included.

A. Amusements

Arenas or auditoriums, with capacity limited to 2,500 seats [PRC-D]

*Billiard parlor or pool halls [PRC-D]

*Bowling alleys or table tennis halls, with no limitation on number of bowling lanes per establishment [PRC-D]

**Eating or drinking establishments with entertainment and a capacity of more than 200 persons, or establishments of any capacity with dancing [PRC-D]

In C4 Districts, a minimum of four square feet of waiting area within the #zoning lot# shall be provided for each person permitted under the occupant capacity as determined by the New York City Building Code. The required waiting area shall be in an enclosed lobby and shall not include space occupied by stairs, corridors or restrooms. In C4 Districts, such establishment shall be a minimum of 100 feet from a #Residence District# boundary, except that within 100 feet from a #Residence District# boundary, such establishment is permitted only by special permit pursuant to Section 73-244.

In C6-1, C6-2, C6-3 and C6-4 Districts, a minimum of four square feet of waiting area within the #zoning lot# shall be provided for each person permitted under the occupant capacity as determined by the New York City Building Code. The required waiting area shall be in an enclosed lobby and shall not include space occupied by stairs, corridors or restrooms. In these districts, the entrance to such #use# shall be a minimum of 100 feet from the nearest #Residential District# boundary.

Historical exhibits, provided such #use# is contained within a #completely enclosed building# [PRC-D]

Indoor golf recreation centers [PRC-D]

Model car hobby center, including racing, with no limitation on #floor area# per establishment [PRC-D]

Public auction rooms [PRC-D]

Skating rinks, enclosed [PRC-D]

Stadiums, with capacity limited to 2,500 seats [PRC-D]

Trade expositions, with rated capacity for not more than 2,500 persons, as determined by the Commissioner of Buildings [PRC-D]

B. Retail Establishments

Antique stores [PRC-B]

Art gallery, commercial [PRC-B]

Book stores [PRC-B]

Candy or ice cream stores [PRC-B]

Cigar and tobacco stores [PRC-B]

Delicatessen stores [PRC-B]

Drug stores [PRC-B]

Gift shops [PRC-B]

Jewelry or art metal craft shops [PRC-B]

Music stores [PRC-B]

Newsstands [PRC-B]

Photographic equipment stores [PRC-B]

Record stores [PRC-B]

Stationery stores [PRC-B]

Toy stores [PRC-B]

C. Public Service Establishments

Police stations [PRC-C]

Water or sewage pumping stations

D. Automotive Service Establishments

#Public parking garages# or #public parking lots# with capacity of 150 spaces or less, subject to the provisions set forth for #accessory# off-street parking spaces in Sections 36-53 (Width of Curb Cuts and Location of Access to

the Street), 36-55 (Surfacing) and 36-56 (Screening), and provided that such #public parking lots# are not permitted as-of-right in C7 Districts and such #public parking garages# are not permitted as-of-right in C4-5, C4-6, C4-7, C6, C8-4, M1-4, M1-5, M1-6, M2-3, M2-4 or M3-2 Districts. #Public parking garages# may be open or enclosed, provided that no portion of such #use# shall be located on a roof other than a roof which is immediately above a #cellar# or #basement#.

In the #Manhattan Core#, these #uses# are subject to the provisions of Article I, Chapter 3, and in the #Long Island City area#, as defined in Section 16-02 (Definitions), such #uses# are subject to the provisions of Article I, Chapter 6.

E. #Accessory Uses#

- * In a C4 District, a #use# in Use Group 12, marked with an asterisk, shall not be located on the ground floor of a #building# unless such #use# is at least 50 feet from the #street wall# of the #building# in which it is located, as provided in Section 32-423 (Limitation on ground floor location)
- ** In C6-4 Districts mapped within that portion of Community District 5, Manhattan, bounded by West 22nd Street, a line 100 feet west of Fifth Avenue, a line midway between West 16th Street and West 17th Street, and a line 100 feet east of Sixth Avenue, eating or drinking establishments with entertainment and a capacity of more than 200 persons, or establishments of any capacity with dancing, are permitted only by special permit of the Board of Standards and Appeals in accordance with Section 73-244

(4/6/78)

32-22 Use Group 13

C7 C8

Use Group 13 consists of open or low coverage #uses#, mostly open amusement establishments, which either:

- (1) generate noise and traffic, particularly at night, and are

therefore not appropriate in local retail or local service areas; or

- (2) attract customers for special purposes not associated with retail shopping, and are therefore not appropriate in local, secondary, major or central shopping areas.

A. Amusements, Open or Enclosed

Camps, overnight or outdoor day [PRC-H]

Children's amusement parks, provided that the total area of the #zoning lot# shall not exceed 10,000 square feet, and that no amusement attractions shall be located within 20 feet of a #Residence District# boundary [PRC-E]

Circuses, carnivals or fairs of a temporary nature [PRC-E]

Commercial beaches or swimming pools [PRC-E]

Golf driving ranges [PRC-E]

Miniature golf courses [PRC-E]

Outdoor roller skating rinks [PRC-E]

Outdoor skateboard parks, provided that the total area of the #zoning lot#, excluding the area used for #accessory# off-street parking spaces, shall not exceed two acres, and provided further that temporary enclosure of the skating runs, such as air supported structures, shall not be permitted [PRC-E]

Outdoor skating rinks [PRC-E]

Theaters [PRC-D]

B. Retail Establishments

Banquet halls [PRC-D]

Catering establishments [PRC-B1]

Refreshment stands, drive-in [PRC-H]

C. Service Establishments

Boat fuel sales, open or enclosed, without restriction as to location [PRC-C]

D. #Accessory Uses#

(3/26/14)

32-23

Use Group 14

C2 C3 C7 C8

Use Group 14 consists of the special services and facilities required for boating and related activities.

A. Retail or Service

Bicycle rental or repair shops [PRC-B1]

Bicycle sales [PRC-B]

Boat fuel sales, open or enclosed, restricted to location within 10 feet of a boat dock berth [PRC-C]

Boat launching facilities for non-commercial pleasure boats

Boat rentals, open or enclosed [PRC-H]

Boat showrooms or sales, restricted to boats less than 100 feet in length, provided that such #use# or portion thereof may be conducted outside a #completely enclosed building# only if located at a distance greater than 100 feet from a #Residence District# boundary [PRC-C]

Boat storage, repair, or painting, including the incidental sale of boats, boat parts, or accessories, restricted to boats less than 100 feet in length, provided that such #use# or portion thereof may be conducted outside a #completely enclosed building# only if located at a distance greater than 100 feet from a #Residence District# boundary [PRC-C]

Candy or ice cream stores [PRC-B]

Docks for ferries, other than #gambling vessels#, limited to an aggregate operational passenger load, per #zoning lot#, of 150 passengers per half hour. In Community District 1 in the Borough of Brooklyn, docks for ferries with a vessel capacity of up to 399 passengers shall be allowed, provided that such docks are certified by the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission pursuant to Section 62-813 (Docking facilities for ferries or water taxis in certain waterfront

areas) [PRC-H]

Docks for sightseeing, excursion or sport fishing vessels, other than #gambling vessels#, limited to the following aggregate dock capacities per #zoning lot#:

200 in C2, C3 Districts; 500 in C7, C8-1, C8-2, C8-3 Districts; 2,500 in C8-4 Districts.

"Dock capacity" is the U.S. Coast Guard-certified capacity of the largest vessel using a dock. "Aggregate dock capacity" is the sum of the dock capacities of all docks on the #zoning lot#.

Docks for water taxis, with a vessel capacity up to 99 passengers. In Community District 1 in the Borough of Brooklyn, such docks shall be certified by the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission pursuant to Section 62-813 (Docking facilities for ferries or water taxis in certain waterfront areas). The maximum dock capacity is the U.S. Coast Guard-certified capacity of the largest vessel using the dock

Docks or mooring facilities for non-commercial pleasure boats [PRC-H]

Fishing tackle or equipment, rental or sales [PRC-B1]

Ice vending machines, coin-operated, including those machines that are self-contained, dealing directly with the ultimate consumer. Such self-contained machines shall be limited to 1,600 pounds capacity solely for the use of such self-contained machines

Sailmaking establishments [PRC-C]

Sale or rental of sporting goods or equipment, including instruction in skiing, sailing or skin diving [PRC-B]

B. Clubs

Non-commercial clubs, without restrictions on activities or facilities except for any activity or #use# listed within the definitions of either #adult physical culture establishments# or #physical culture or health establishments# in Section 12-10 [PRC-D]

C. #Accessory Uses#

(3/4/76)

32-24

Use Group 15

C7

Use Group 15 consists of large open commercial amusement establishments which:

- (1) generate considerable noise or traffic; and
- (2) are appropriate only in a few areas designated for open amusement parks.

A. Amusements

Amusement arcades [PRC-E]

Amusement parks, children's, with no limitation on #floor area# per establishment [PRC-E]

Animal exhibits [PRC-E]

Ferris wheels, roller coasters, whips, parachute jumps, merry-go-rounds or similar open midway attractions [PRC-E]

Freak shows, wax museums, dodgem scooters or similar open or enclosed midway attractions [PRC-E]

Open booths with games of skill or chance, including shooting galleries [PRC-E]

(2/2/11)

32-25

Use Group 16

C8

Use Group 16 consists of automotive and other necessary semi-industrial #uses# which:

- (1) are required widely throughout the city; and
- (2) involve offensive noise, vibration, smoke, dust, or other particulate matter, odorous matter, heat, humidity, glare or

other objectionable influences, making such #uses# incompatible with #residential uses# and other #commercial uses#.

A. Retail or Service Establishments

Animal hospitals or kennels [PRC-B1]

Animal pounds or crematoriums [PRC-C]

Automobile, motorcycle, trailer or boat sales, open or enclosed [PRC-C]

Blacksmith shops [PRC-C]

Building materials sales, open or enclosed, limited to 10,000 square feet of #lot area# per establishment, provided that not more than 5,000 square feet of such #lot area# is used for open storage [PRC-B1]

Carpentry, custom woodworking or custom furniture making shops [PRC-B1]

Crematoriums, human [PRC-C]

Electrical, glazing, heating, painting, paper hanging, plumbing, roofing or ventilating contractors' establishments, open or enclosed, with open storage limited to 5,000 square feet of #lot area# per establishment [PRC-B1]

Fuel, ice, oil, coal or wood sales, open or enclosed, limited to 5,000 square feet of #lot area# per establishment [PRC-B1]

Household or office equipment or machinery repair shops, such as refrigerators, washing machines, stoves, deep freezers or air conditioning units [PRC-B1]

Machinery rental or sales establishments [PRC-B1]

Mirror silvering or glass cutting shops [PRC-B1]

Motorcycle or motor scooter rental establishments [PRC-C]

Poultry or rabbit killing establishments, for retail sale on the same #zoning lot# only [PRC-B1]

Riding academies, open or enclosed [PRC-C]

Sign painting shops, with no limitation on #floor area# per establishment [PRC-B1]

Silver plating shops, custom [PRC-B1]

Soldering or welding shops [PRC-B1]

Stables for horses [PRC-C]

Tool, die or pattern making establishments, or similar small machine shops [PRC-B1]

Trade schools for adults [PRC-B1]

B. Automotive Service Establishments

Automobile, truck, motorcycle or #trailer# repairs [PRC-C]

Automobile laundries, provided that the #zoning lot# contains reservoir space for not less than 10 automobiles per washing lane

#Automotive service stations#, open or enclosed, provided that facilities for lubrication, minor repairs or washing are permitted only if located within a #completely enclosed building#

C. Vehicle Storage Establishments

Commercial or public utility vehicle storage, open or enclosed, including #accessory# motor fuel pumps [PRC-G]

Dead storage of motor vehicles

Public transit yards, open or enclosed, including #accessory# motor fuel pumps [PRC-G]

D. Heavy Service, Wholesale, or Storage Establishments

Carpet cleaning establishments [PRC-F]

Dry cleaning or cleaning and dyeing establishments, with no limitation on type of operation, solvents, #floor area# or capacity per establishment [PRC-F]

Laundries, with no limitation on type of operation [PRC-F]

Linen, towel or diaper supply establishments [PRC-F]

Moving or storage offices, with no limitation as to storage

or #floor area# per establishment [PRC-G]

Packing or crating establishments [PRC-G]

Photographic developing or printing with no limitation on #floor area# per establishment [PRC-C]

Trucking terminals or motor freight stations, limited to 20,000 square feet of #lot area# per establishment [PRC-G]

Warehouses [PRC-G]

Wholesale establishments, with no limitation on #accessory# storage [PRC-C]

E. #Accessory Uses#

(12/15/61)

32-30

USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL PERMIT

(3/22/06)

32-31

By the Board of Standards and Appeals

In the districts indicated, the following #uses# are permitted by special permit of the Board of Standards and Appeals, in accordance with standards set forth in Article VII, Chapter 3.

C4-1

Amusement arcades [PRC-E]

C2 C4 C6 C7

#Automotive service stations#, open or enclosed, with sites of not less than 7,500 square feet per establishment, and provided that facilities for lubrication, minor repairs, or washing are permitted only if located within a #completely enclosed building#

C3

#Boatels# [PRC-H]

C1 C2 C3

Camps, overnight or outdoor day [PRC-H]

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7 C8

Public transit or railroad electric substations, limited in each case to a site of not more than 40,000 square feet

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7 C8

Radio or television towers, non-#accessory#

C2 C6 C7

Riding academies or stables [PRC-C]

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7 C8

Sand, gravel or clay pits

C8

#Schools#, provided they have no living or sleeping accommodations

C1

Theaters, limited to a maximum capacity of 500 persons [PRC-D]

* In C4 Districts, such #use# is permitted within 100 feet of a #Residence District# boundary, only as provided in Section 73-244

** In C6-4 Districts mapped within that portion of Community District 5, Manhattan, bounded by West 22nd Street, a line 100 feet west of Fifth Avenue, a line midway between West 16th Street and West 17th Street, and a line 100 feet east of Sixth Avenue, such #use# is permitted only as provided in Section 73-244

(3/22/16)

32-32

By the City Planning Commission

In the districts indicated, the following #uses# are permitted by special permit of the City Planning Commission, in accordance with standards set forth in Article VII, Chapter 4, or as otherwise indicated in this Section.

C8

Amusement parks, children's, with sites of not less than 75,000 square feet nor more than 10 acres per establishment [PRC-E]

C4 C6 C7 C8

Arenas, auditoriums or stadiums with a capacity in excess of 2,500 seats [PRC-D]

C2

Automobile rental establishments, open

Bus stations:

C1 C2 C4 C6 C7 C8

With less than 10 berths

C4 C6

With 10 or more berths

C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7 C8

Docks for #gambling vessels#, pursuant to Section 62-838

C6

Docks for passenger ocean vessels, pursuant to Section 62-832

C7 C8

Drive-in theaters, with a maximum capacity of 500 automobiles

C3 C4 C5 C6 C7 C8

Heliports

C4 C6 C7 C8

Indoor interactive entertainment facilities with eating and drinking [PRC-D]

C1 C2

#Long-term care facilities#, in C1 and C2 Districts mapped within R1 and R2 Districts.

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7

#Long-term care facilities# in Community District 11 in the Borough of the Bronx, Community District 8 in the Borough of Manhattan, Community District 14 in the Borough of Queens, and Community District 1 in the Borough of Staten Island, #developments# of nursing homes, as defined in the New York State Public Health Law, or #enlargements# of existing nursing homes that increase the existing #floor area# by 15,000 square feet or more

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7

#Non-profit hospital staff dwellings#, located not more than 1,500 feet from the non-profit or voluntary hospital

#Public parking garages#*:

C1
Limited in capacity to 100 spaces

C2-1 C2-2 C2-3 C2-4 C4-1 C4-2 C4-3 C4-4 C7 C8-1 C8-2 C8-3
With capacity of more than 150 spaces

C2-5 C2-6 C2-7 C2-8 C4-5 C4-6 C4-7 C5 C6 C7 C8-4
With any capacity

#Public parking lots#*:

C1
Limited in capacity to 100 spaces

C2 C4 C6 C7 C8
With capacity of more than 150 spaces

C5 C7
With any capacity

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7 C8
Public transit, railroad or electric utility substations, limited
in each case to a site of not less than 40,000 square feet nor
more than 10 acres

C8
Racetracks

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7 C8
Railroad passenger stations

C6
Research and development facility, scientific

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7 C8
Seaplane bases

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7 C8
Sewage disposal plants

C4 C6 C7 C8
Trade expositions, with a rated capacity for more than 2,500
persons [PRC-D]

C8
Trucking terminals or motor freight stations with sites in excess
of 20,000 square feet per establishment [PRC-G]

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7 C8
#Uses# listed in a permitted Use Group for which #railroad or

transit air space# is #developed#

- * In the #Manhattan Core#, these #uses# are subject to the provisions of Article I, Chapter 3, and in the #Long Island City area#, as defined in Section 16-02 (Definitions), such #uses# are subject to the provisions of Article I, Chapter 6.

(12/15/61)

32-40
SUPPLEMENTARY USE REGULATIONS

(2/2/11)

32-41
Enclosure Within Buildings

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C8

In the districts indicated, except as otherwise specifically provided in the Use Groups permitted in such districts and in Sections 36-11 (General Provisions), 36-61 (Permitted Accessory Off-street Loading Berths) and 73-36 (Physical Culture or Health Establishments), all permitted #uses# which are created by #development#, or which are #enlarged# or #extended#, or which result from a change of #use# shall be subject to the provisions of this Section with respect to enclosure within #buildings#. With respect to the #enlargement# or #extension# of an existing #use#, such provisions shall apply to the #enlarged# or #extended# portion of such #use#.

(12/15/61)

32-411
In C1, C5, C6-5 or C6-7 Districts

C1 C5 C6-5 C6-7

In the districts indicated, all such #uses# shall be located within #completely enclosed buildings#.