

TOWN OF SHERMAN

INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION

ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL FOR PERMITTED AND NONREGULATED ACTIVITIES

Date of Application:

Property Location

- a. Reference code from Assessor's map:
- b. Attach an 8 ½ x 11 location map with sufficient detail to allow precise location. Include road names, intersections, number from a telephone pole, and direction of North and location of any watercourse.

Project Description and Purpose:

- a. Attach a diagram, drawing or plot plan of sufficient scale and detail to portray proposed activity.

Applicant:

Name:

Address:

Daytime Phone:

Owner:

Name

Address:

Daytime Phone:

Agent or Consultant (if any)

Name

Address:

Daytime Phone:

1. The proposed use or activity conforms to the following permitted uses outline in Section. 4.1 of Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Regulations for the Town of Sherman.

Check the appropriate Section(s).

- A. Grazing, farming, nurseries, gardening, and harvesting of crops. Farm ponds of three acres or less essential to the farming operation.
- B. Construction of a residential home on a subdivision lot approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission as of September 14, 1973, provided that the building permit was obtained on or before July 1, 1987.
- C. Boat anchorage or mooring, not to include dredging or dock construction.
- D. Uses as defined in Section 4.1.d. as incidental to the enjoyment or maintenance of residential property. Such property defined as equal to or smaller than the largest minimum residential lot site permitted anywhere in the Town of Sherman.
- E. Construction or operation by water companies of dams etc., as defined in Section 4.1.e.
- F. Maintenance relating to a drainage pipe existing before September 14, 1973.

2. The proposed use or activity will not disturb the natural or indigenous character of the wetland or watercourse and conforms to one of the following nonregulated uses outlined in Section 4.2 of Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations for the Town of Sherman. Check the appropriate Sections(s).

- A. Conservation of soil, vegetation, water, fish or wildlife as defined in Section 4.2.a.
- B. Outdoor recreation as defined in Section 4.2.b
- C. Deposition of no more than twenty-four (24) cubic yards of coarse washed sand on the water's edge of existing beaches for the purpose of routine maintenance.

3. The proposed use or activity is not regulated pursuant to Section 6 of Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Regulations for the Town of Sherman. Check the appropriate Section(s).

- A. The proposed activity or use of the property is not within wetlands and watercourses or the upland review area.
- B. The proposed activity of use is one which is the exclusive jurisdiction of a State or Federal Agency. (Provide documentation)

Application's Signature _____ Date: _____

Approved by: _____ the Sherman Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission

Ref: page 9 Section 4 Paragraph 4.4
"The Agency shall..."

Definition of Agriculture

Connecticut General Statutes, Sec. 1-1 (q) Except as otherwise specifically defined, the words "agriculture" and "farming" shall include cultivation of the soil, dairying, forestry, raising or harvesting any agricultural or horticultural commodity, including the raising, shearing, feeding, caring for, training and management of livestock, including horses, bees, poultry, fur-bearing animals and wildlife, and the raising or harvesting of oysters, clams, mussels, other molluscan shellfish or fish; the operation, management, conservation, improvement or maintenance of a farm and its buildings, tools and equipment, or salvaging timber or cleared land of brush or other debris left by a storm, as an incident to such farming operations; the production or harvesting of maple syrup or maple sugar, or any agricultural commodity, including lumber, as an incident to ordinary farming operations or the harvesting of mushrooms, the hatching of poultry, or the construction, operation or maintenance of ditches, canals, reservoirs or waterways used exclusively for farming purposes; handling, planting, drying, packing, packaging, processing, freezing, grading, storing or delivering to storage or to market, or to a carrier for transportation to market, or for direct sale any agricultural or horticultural commodity as an incident to ordinary farming operations, or, in the case of fruits and vegetables, as an incident to the preparation of such fruits or vegetables for market or for direct sale. The term "farm" includes farm buildings, and accessory buildings thereto, nurseries, orchards, ranges, greenhouses, hoop houses and other temporary structures or other structures used primarily for the raising and, as an incident to ordinary farming operations, the sale of agricultural or horticultural commodities. The term "aquaculture" means the farming of the waters of the state and tidal wetlands and the production of protein food, including fish, oysters, clams, mussels and other molluscan shellfish, on leased, franchised and public underwater farm lands. Nothing herein shall restrict the power of a local zoning authority under chapter 124.

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INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION**

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

For Commission Use Only	
Application Number: _____	Permit Number: _____
Date of Filing: _____	Filing Fee: _____
Date of 1 st Regular Meeting after Filing: _____	_____
Approved: _____	Date: _____
Approved with Conditions: _____	Date: _____
For Conditions see page two	
Denied: _____	(see page two) Date: _____

Applicant

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone: _____

Business Address: _____

Phone: _____

Agent (if applicable)

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone: _____

Business Address: _____

Phone: _____

Brief Description of the Proposed Activity: _____

**Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission
Sherman, Connecticut**

General Conditions of Permit/License Approval

Permit /License # _____

Conditions as they may apply:

The approved plan is entitled or identified as exhibit _____

Dated _____ Last Revised _____

And marked up amendments made at the meeting by _____

Title _____ Circle one: Owner or Applicants Agent Dated _____

The Agency/Commission has relied in whole or in part on information provided by the applicant and if such information subsequently proves to be false, deceptive, in-complete or in accurate, the permit may be modified, suspended or revoked.

All permits issued by the Agency/Commission are subject to and do not derogate any present for future rights or powers of the Agency/Commission or the Town of Sherman, and convey no rights in real estate or material nor any exclusive privileges, and are further subject to any and all public and private rights and to any federal, state, and municipal laws or regulations pertinent to the property or activity.

If the activity authorized by the Inland Wetlands permit/license also involves an activity or a project which requires zoning or subdivision approval, septic permit, road work, variance or special permit (exception), under Sections 8-3(g), 8-3c, or 8-26 of the Connecticut State Statues, no work pursuant to the Inland Wetlands permit/license may begin until such approval is obtained.

The permit/license issued by the Agency/Commission or agent must be on site and readily available for the duration of the approved activity.

All Erosion & Sedimentation Controls must be installed per plan and as deemed necessary by the Inland Wetlands Agent during in progress site inspections.

For Commission Use

Conditions or modifications:

Reasons for approval or denial:

1. Property Ownership:

a. Applicant's interest in property (circle one):

Owner Developer Option Holder Other (describe)

b. If applicant is not the owner give the name(s), address(es), and daytime phone number(s) of the owner(s).

c. If the owner(s) is a partnership, corporation, or association, list the officers, partners, or principals.

d. If the applicant is not the owner, attach a sheet giving the signed consent of the owner(s) to the proposed activity set forth in this application.

2. Location at which the activity is proposed:

a. Reference code from Tax Assessor's Map

b. Describe the location of the site or lot of the proposed activity. Sketch a location map in sufficient detail to allow precise location. Include road names, intersections, number from a telephone pole, direction of North and location of any water courses.

3. Names and mailing addresses of all adjoining property owners:

4. Describe the proposed activity, its purposes and intended use:

a. Area of wetlands affected:

b. Amount and type of materials to be removed:

c. Amount and type of materials to be deposited:

d. Structures and/or construction activities involved:

e. Manner in which the work will be carried out (equipment to be used, anticipated sequence and timing of work):

f. Anticipated time of construction:

g. Attach additional sheets if needed:

5. Provide a site plan that shows the existing and proposed conditions in relation to wetlands and watercourses, including soil types, vegetation, and existing and proposed improvements. The scale shall be of such size as to permit clear understanding of what is proposed.

10. Check whether any of the following circumstances applies:

- A portion of the property affected by the decision of the Commission is located within five hundred (500) feet of the boundary of an adjoining municipality.
- A significant portion of the traffic to the completed project on the site will use streets or roads within the adjoining municipality to enter or exit the site.
- A significant portion of the sewer or water drainage from the project site will flow through and significantly impact the sewage or drainage system within the adjoining municipality.
- Water run-off from the improved site will impact streets, roads or other municipal or private property within the adjoining municipality.

11. Submit a completed Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection "Statewide Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Activity Reporting Form." See Section 7.6.o. and Appendix C.

12. Submit the completed DEP Connecticut Natural Diversity Data Base Review Form together with response. See Section 7.6.k for applicability.

13. Additional information, in support of the application:

(Attach additional sheet if needed)

14. As soon as known provide the name, address, and business phone of each contractor. The permit will not be valid until this information is furnished. Notification by letter, postal card, or FAX (355-6943) will satisfy this requirement.

15. In the event the Commission determines that the application involves a significant impact activity as defined in Section 2.1 of the regulations, the applicant will be required also to complete Schedule C as a part of the application.

16. ➤ The undersigned applicant certifies that he/she is the owner or authorized agent of the owner of the property to which this application relates. I fully understand that this statement shall be relied upon by the Sherman Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commission and agree to furnish adequate evidence of my authority as part and parcel of the application process.
- **Furthermore; the undersigned, as owner or authorized agent of the owner of the property, hereby consents to necessary and proper inspections of the above mentioned property by the Agency and agent of the Agency or consultants to the Agency, to inspect the property, at reasonable times, during the application process and during the life of a permit once a final decision has been issued.**
- Furthermore; I certify that I have read and understand the United States Army Corps of Engineers Wetland Rules (see Appendix B).
- Making a false statement is a Class A misdemeanor. The undersigned hereby certifies that the information provided in this application including its supporting documentation is true and he/she is aware of the penalties provided in Section 53a-36 of the General Statutes for knowingly providing false or misleading information.

Signature of the Applicant

Date

MANDATORY PRE APPLICATION

FOR ALL LAND USE, HEALTH AND BUILDING APPLICATIONS

except for interior work in existing buildings and exterior work that does not expand or alter the footprint of an existing building.

Effective October 1, 2005 no Land Use, Health, or Building application for a permit may be filed until the holder(s) of any conservation restriction or preservation restriction on the subject property has been notified. Please see the attached legislation, Public Act No. # 05-124

Please provide the name of the property owner(s) and street address of the property for which one of the above applications will be submitted and complete either A or B below.

Property Owner(s): _____

Address of Permit Application: _____

A. I hereby certify there are NO conservation easements or restrictions nor any preservation restrictions on the above referenced property.

Signature of Property Owner: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Property Owner: _____ Date: _____

B. There ARE conservation easements or restrictions or preservation restrictions on the above referenced property.

Name/Phone Number of Restriction Holder: _____

Please attach one of the following:

1. Proof that the holder of the conservation or preservation restriction was notified by certified mail/return receipt requested of the property owner's intent to apply for a Land Use, Health, or Building permit in the Town of Sherman. OR
2. A letter from the conservation or preservation restriction holder verifying that the application is in compliance with the terms of the restriction.

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**APPLICATION FOR PERMIT
SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ACTIVITY ADDENDA**

1. Provide site plans for the proposed use of the property. Plans must be stamped by a CT state licensed engineer, surveyor, and/or architect.
2. Indicate boundary lines of wetland soil types and adjacent soil types. Show individual wetland flags on the map. Verify that wetland flags are still intact in the field. If they are not intact, re-flag the wetland boundary. Soils information should be shown on the map and signed by a Certified Soil Scientist.
3. Show on drawings: boundaries of intermittent and/or perennial watercourses, vernal pools, or other water bodies, regulated areas, upland review areas, and land ownership. Show watershed drainage areas.
4. Indicate existing and proposed contours/elevations. The scale shall be of such size as to clearly show the proposed use or operation.
5. Show well locations.
6. Show septic design details and specifications. Provide Sherman Health Department approval.
7. Show 100-year flood elevation, existing stone walls, and 440 line (where applicable).
8. Provide storm drainage design details and specifications. Show existing and proposed drainage calculations, including salt runoff.
9. Calculate downstream watercourses impact.
10. Provide a sedimentation and erosion control plan. Include location of all erosion controls and construction schedule. Include erosion control narrative, stabilization methods, seeding recommendations, and timing.
11. Provide a description of material to be removed or brought in, including type and quantity.
12. Describe the ecological communities, functions of the wetlands or watercourses involved, and the impact of the proposed activity (changes, diminishment, or enhancement).
13. Describe alternatives considered and why each was deemed neither feasible nor prudent.
14. Describe measures that would minimize the impact of the proposed activity. Such measures include, but are not limited to, plans or actions, (a) which avoid destruction or diminution of wetland or watercourse functions, recreational uses and natural habitats; (b) which prevent flooding, degradation of water quality, erosion, sedimentation, and obstruction of drainage; or (c) which otherwise safeguard water resources.

Making a false statement is a Class A misdemeanor. The undersigned hereby certifies that the information provided in this application including its supporting documentation is true and the undersigned is aware of the penalties provided in Section 53a-36 of the General Statutes for knowingly providing false or misleading information.

Signature of the Applicant

Date

**Town of Sherman
Inland Wetlands and Water Course Commission**

Application to Extend Permit Expiration Date

Permit number: _____ Expiration date of permit: _____

Date of extension application: _____
(must be 65 days prior to expiration date)

Applicant/owner

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime phone number: _____

Agent or Consultant (if any)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime phone number: _____

State the reason why the authorized activities were not initiated or completed within the time specified in the permit:

Describe any changes in facts or circumstances involved with or affecting wetlands or watercourses on the property for which the permit is issued:

Signature of the applicant/agent/consultant Date

Extension granted by

Date

stamp

Length of approved extension

New expiration date: _____

TOWN OF SHERMAN
INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION/AGENCY
CONTRACTOR COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

PERMIT/LICENSE NO. _____

As the contractor engaged by _____ to perform the activities described in the Sherman Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Agency permit number _____. I have read the permit and will comply with all the condition therein.

Work will commence on or about _____ and will be completed within _____ months.

Name

Address

Telephone

Signature

Mail To:
SIWWC
PO Box. 39
Sherman, CT 06784

**TOWN OF SHERMAN
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FEE SCHEDULE

1.1 Fees

- a. Fees are set to cover the cost, including but not limited to the reasonable cost of reviewing and acting on applications or petitions, and monitoring compliance with any permit or Agency order.
- b. The Town of Sherman and the State of Connecticut shall be exempt from the payment of fees.
- c. If an activity has occurred prior to the submission of an application, the Agency may require a filing fee to cover costs including, but not limited to, field inspections, public hearings, and public notices.
- d. The Agency may require additional technical assistance in evaluating an application submitted or a modification to an application if it finds that the nature and intensity of the activity may constitute a significant impact activity or that the expertise required to review such application is outside that of the Agency. The expense of the additional technical assistance shall be estimated by the Agency, based on a preliminary estimate prepared by an outside consultant, and the estimated cost of reviewing the application times one hundred-fifty percent (150%) shall be paid by the applicant and deposited with the Agency or its agent. Such deposit shall be made prior to review of the application, or at any time during the review process.

Upon completion of the technical review and final action by the Agency on the application, the Agency shall determine the costs incurred for the review and refund any excess monies to the applicant. Applicants shall not be responsible for costs incurred for technical assistance which exceed one hundred-fifty percent (150%) of the Agency's estimate.

- e All fees required by this schedule shall be submitted to the Agency by check or money order payable to the Town of Sherman at the time the application is filed with the Agency.
- f. No application shall be granted or approved by the Agency unless the correct application fee is paid in full or unless a waiver has been granted by the Agency pursuant to Section 1.4 of this fee schedule.
- g. The application fee is not refundable.

FEE SCHEDULE

SCHEDULE F

Sections 1.2 and 1.3 of this fee schedule. Such petitions shall be in writing and shall state fully the facts and circumstances the Agency should consider in its determination under this section. The Agency may waive all or part of the application fee if the Agency determines that:

- a. The activity for which application is made would clearly result in a substantial public benefit to the environment or to the public health and safety, and the applicant would reasonably be deterred from initiating the activity solely or primarily as a result of the amount of the application fee, or
- b. The amount of the application fee is clearly excessive in relation to the cost to the Town for reviewing and processing the application.

The Agency shall state upon its record the basis for all actions under this section.

FEE SCHEDULE

SCHEDULE F

1.2 Fee Schedule.

Application fees shall be based on the following schedule:

A. PERMITTED AND NONREGULATED USES - Section 4 of the regulations.

- PERMITTED USES AS OF RIGHT (Section 4.1).....\$25.00
- NONREGULATED USES (Section 4.2).....\$25.00

B. REGULATED USES - Section 6 of the regulations.

- 1. STATE OF CONNECTICUT APPLICATION FEE\$ 60.00^{##}
(Applies to all Permit Applications)

2. SUBDIVISIONS, RESUBDIVISIONS, LOT LINE CHANGES THAT CREATE NEW BUILDING LOTS AND REDESIGNATION OF PARCELS TO BUILDING LOTS

- Base \$250.00
- Plus\$100.00/lot
- Plus for each regulated activity including, but not limited to, watercourse crossings, and water diversion,\$250.00

3. RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL use on single lots

- a. Without an existing occupied building
Construction or alteration within wetlands and watercourses and adjacent regulated activity zone including, but not limited to, watercourse crossings and water diversion.....\$250.00
- b. With an existing occupied building
Construction or alteration within wetlands and watercourses and adjacent regulated activity zone including, but not limited to, watercourse crossings and water diversion.....\$150.00

4. NEW POND CONSTRUCTION \$400.00

- C. MAP AMENDMENT - Section 15\$200.00

D. MODIFICATION OF PREVIOUS APPROVAL

- Section 7.12 and 7.13 of the regulations\$100.00
(There shall be no fee for correcting typographical or other errors)

E. EXTENSION OF PREVIOUS APPROVAL, without modifications

- Section 7.12 and 7.13 of the regulations\$25.00

REPAIR SEPTIC SYSTEMS (State Fee Only) \$ 60.00

1.3 Additional Fees

When applicable the following fees will be in addition to the fees specified in Section 1.2 of this fee schedule.

- A. SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ACTIVITY FEE - Section 7.6.....\$500.00
- B. ADDITIONAL COMPLIANCE INSPECTIONS
Fee Schedule 1.1.c Violation\$200.00
Plus for each 1.1.c inspection\$200.00

1.4 Waiver.

The applicant may petition the Agency to waive, reduce or allow delayed payment of the fee required by

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APPLICATION FOR CHANGE TO THE WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES MAP

Date of Application:

Applicant

Name:

Address:

Daytime Phone:

Owner (if different from applicant)

Name:

Address:

Daytime Phone:

Agent or Consultant (if any)

Name:

Address:

Daytime Phone:

Property Location

a. Reference code from Assessor's map:

b. Attach an 8½ X 11 location map with sufficient detail to allow precise location. Include road names, intersections, number from a telephone pole, direction of North and location of any watercourses.

State reason for application:

Proposed Change:

Provide a map, drawn by a licensed surveyor, professional engineer or architect registered in the State of Connecticut, showing the area to be amended. Show on the map the watercourses and the delineation of wetland soil types, consistent with the categories established by the National Cooperative Soil Survey of the Natural Resources Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture, by a soil scientist. Include land contours and boundaries of land ownership. The scale shall be of such size as to clearly show the proposed amendment.

Signature of the Applicant

Date

P.O. Box 39
Sherman, CT 06784

Application No. _____

_____ Statement of Intent
_____ Zoning Permit Application

**Planning and Zoning Commission
Town of Sherman, Connecticut**

Notice to applicants:

This form must be completed for any activity on property, which is regulated by the Town of Sherman including any type of land disturbance. This form must be accompanied by a fee (either in cash, or in the form of a check or money order payable to the Town of Sherman and a certified site plot plan (A-2 Survey). New construction requires a plot plan. Zoning permits become void unless the permitted activity is initiated within one year after the date of issuance. Approval of this permit does not constitute a building permit and should be issued by the building inspector. Also, further information may be required upon review of the application. Please review the applicable regulations of the Town. If you have any questions, please call the Planning and Zoning Commission office at 860-355-3127.

Please print clearly and press down

Name of Property Owner(s) of record: _____

Mailing Address: _____ phone number: _____

Exact Location (911 #): _____

Zone: _____ A _____ B _____ C _____ D Assessor's Map/Lot #: _____

Size property: _____ acres Frontage: _____ feet Minimum Depth: _____ feet

Underground utilities on property: _____ yes _____ no

Distance of proposed structure from nearest property line: _____ feet

Distance of proposed structure from center of traveled portion of road or front property line: _____ feet

Type of Proposed Activity: _____ accessory building _____ addition _____ deck _____ driveway

_____ dwelling _____ garage _____ road _____ septic system

_____ other

Will this activity be located in a flood plain? _____ yes _____ no

State description, purpose, and size of the proposed activity and location on the property:

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

signature of applicant(s) or agent _____ date _____

signature of applicant(s) or agent _____ date _____

name (print) _____

name (print) _____

street address (mailing address) _____

street address (mailing address) _____

phone number with area code _____

phone number with area code _____

For Commission Use Only

- _____ Fee
- _____ Agent letter
- _____ Commission hearing
- _____ Driveway Permit
- _____ Earth Materials Operation Application

- _____ Health Department Report
- _____ SIWWCC Report
- _____ Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan
- _____ Other _____

Received: _____

Action deadline: _____

Extension date: _____

Commission action: _____

Permit granted/denied: _____

Remarks: _____

"A permit to construct foundation only, pending our receipt of a certified "as built" of foundation" Required: yes/no

Authorized Signature _____

date _____

Final Inspection as required per CGS Section 8-3(f)

Authorized Signature _____

date _____



Statewide Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Activity Reporting Form

Please complete and mail this form in accordance with the instructions.
If completing by hand - please print and use the [pdf version](#).
Incomplete or incomprehensible forms will be mailed back to the municipal inland wetlands agency.

PART I: Must Be Completed By The Inland Wetlands Agency

1. DATE ACTION WAS TAKEN: year: [Click Here for Year](#) month: [Click Here for Month](#)
2. CHOOSE ACTION TAKEN (see instructions for code): [Click Here to Choose a Code](#)
3. WAS A PUBLIC HEARING HELD (check one)? yes no
4. NAME OF AGENCY OFFICIAL VERIFYING AND COMPLETING THIS FORM:
(type name) _____ (signature) _____

PART II: To Be Completed By The Inland Wetlands Agency Or The Applicant

5. TOWN IN WHICH THE ACTIVITY IS OCCURRING (type name): _____
does this project cross municipal boundaries (check one)? yes no
if yes, list the other town(s) in which the activity is occurring (type name(s)): _____, _____
6. LOCATION (click on hyperlinks for information): [USGS quad map name](#): _____ or [quad number](#): _____
[subregional drainage basin number](#): _____
7. NAME OF APPLICANT, VIOLATOR OR PETITIONER (type name): _____
8. NAME & ADDRESS OF ACTIVITY / PROJECT SITE (type information): _____
briefly describe the action/project/activity (check and type information): temporary permanent description: _____

9. ACTIVITY *PURPOSE* CODE (see instructions for code): [Click Here to Choose a Code](#)
10. ACTIVITY *TYPE* CODE(S) (see instructions for codes): [Click for Code](#), [Click for Code](#), [Click for Code](#), [Click for Code](#)
11. WETLAND / WATERCOURSE AREA ALTERED (see instructions for explanation, type acres or linear feet as indicated):
wetlands: _____ acres open water body: _____ acres stream: _____ linear feet
12. UPLAND AREA ALTERED (type acres as indicated): _____ acres
13. AREA OF WETLANDS / WATERCOURSES RESTORED, ENHANCED OR CREATED (type acres as indicated): _____ acres

DATE RECEIVED:

PART III: To Be Completed By The DEEP

DATE RETURNED TO DEEP:

FORM COMPLETED: YES NO

FORM CORRECTED / COMPLETED: YES NO

APPENDIX C
CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES SECTION 1-1(q)

(q) Except as otherwise specifically defined, the words “agriculture” and “farming” shall include cultivation of the soil, dairying, forestry, raising or harvesting any agricultural or horticultural commodity, including the raising, shearing, feeding, caring for, training and management of livestock, including horses, bees, the production of honey, poultry, fur-bearing animals and wildlife, and the raising or harvesting of oysters, clams, mussels, other molluscan shellfish or fish; the operation, management, conservation, improvement or maintenance of a farm and its buildings, tools and equipment, or salvaging timber or cleared land of brush or other debris left by a storm, as an incident to such farming operations; the production or harvesting of maple syrup or maple sugar, or any agricultural commodity, including lumber, as an incident to ordinary farming operations or the harvesting of mushrooms, the hatching of poultry, or the construction, operation or maintenance of ditches, canals, reservoirs or waterways used exclusively for farming purposes; handling, planting, drying, packing, packaging, processing, freezing, grading, storing or delivering to storage or to market, or to a carrier for transportation to market, or for direct sale any agricultural or horticultural commodity as an incident to ordinary farming operations, or, in the case of fruits and vegetables, as an incident to the preparation of such fruits or vegetables for market or for direct sale. The term “farm” includes farm buildings, and accessory buildings thereto, nurseries, orchards, ranges, greenhouses, hoopouses and other temporary structures or other structures used primarily for the raising and, as an incident to ordinary farming operations, the sale of agricultural or horticultural commodities. The term “aquaculture” means the farming of the waters of the state and tidal wetlands and the production of protein food, including fish, oysters, clams, mussels and other molluscan shellfish, on leased, franchised and public underwater farm lands. Nothing herein shall restrict the power of a local zoning authority under chapter 124.