

Appendix F. Mt. Ascutney Region Local Shoreland and Water Quality Protection

New Hampshire towns

TOWN TOOLS	Plainfield	Cornish	Claremont	Charlestown
1. Master Plan is in effect	Yes (1987)	Yes (1989)	Yes (1991)	Yes
2. River is mentioned in master plan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
3. Scenic or historic resources mentioned in master plan/ zoning	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
4. Zoning is in effect	Yes (2005)	Yes (2000)	Yes (1997)	Yes (2002)
5. Subdivision Regulations are in effect	Yes (1987)	Yes (1993)	Yes (1993)	Yes (2003)
6. Site Plan Review is in effect	Yes (2001)	Yes (1993)	Yes (2000)	Yes (1999)
7. Excavation Regulations are in effect	Yes (2005)	Yes	Yes (1994)	Yes (1990)
8. Shoreland Protection Regulations	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
a. Building setback required from waterways? <i>(50' setback on CT River - state law)</i>	Yes - 100'	Yes - 100'	Yes - 50'	Yes - 50' or 25'
b. Development prohibited in flood hazard area? <i>(100 year floodplain = 1% chance of flood each year)</i>	No	Yes	No	No
c. Riparian buffer protected? <i>(150' buffer on CT River where exists -state law)</i>	Yes - 150'	Yes - 100'	No	Yes - 50' or 25'
d. Overlay district for rivers & streams?	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
e. Minimum frontage required for shore lots? <i>(150' min. on CT. River if no sewer-state law)</i>	No	No	No	No
f. Local regulation of docks in effect?	No	No	No	No
9. Wetlands Regulations	Yes	Yes	No	No
a. Uses regulated in wetlands?	Yes	Yes	No	No
b. Activities regulated in a buffer zone around wetlands?	No	No	No	No
10. Groundwater Protection Regulations	No	No	No	Yes
a. Uses regulated over aquifers ?	No	No	No	Yes
b. Well-head protection area defined?	No	No	No	Yes
c. On-site sewage disposal buffer around water supplies?	No	Yes - 100'	No	No
11. Agricultural Soils Protection Regulations	No	No	No	No
12. Steep Slopes Regulations	No	No	No	No
13. Town has a conservation commission	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Source: Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission, 2005

Vermont towns

TOWN TOOLS	Hartland	Windsor	Weathersfield	Springfield	Rockingham
1. Town Plan is in effect*	Yes (2002)	Yes (2004)	Yes (2004)	Yes (2004)	Yes (2005)
2. River mentioned in master plan	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
3. Scenic or historic resources mentioned in master plan and/or zoning	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
4. Zoning is in effect	No	Yes (2001)	Yes (2002)	Yes (1997)	Yes (2005)
5. Subdivision Regulations in effect	No	Yes (2003)	Yes (1988)	Yes (1999)	Yes (1987)
6. Site Plan Review in effect	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
7. Excavation Regulations in effect	No	No	No	No	Yes
8. Shoreland Protection Regulations	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
a. Building setback required from waterways? (No state requirement)	No	Yes - 50', all waters	Yes - 100' from Connecticut R.	Yes - 50', CT & Black Rivers	No
b. Development prohibited in flood hazard area? (100 year floodplain)	Yes	Subject to DRB review	No	No	No
c. Riparian buffer protected?	No	Yes - 50'	Yes	Yes	Yes
d. Overlay district for rivers & streams?	No	No	No	Yes - CT & Black Rivers	Yes - limited area of CT R.
e. Minimum frontage for shore lots?	No	No	No	No	No
f. Local regulation of docks?	No	No	Yes	Yes - one dock	No
9. Wetlands Regulations	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
a. Uses regulated in wetlands?	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
b. Activities regulated in a buffer zone around wetlands?	No	Yes - 50'	Yes	No	No
10. Groundwater Protection Regulations	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
a. Uses regulated over aquifers ?	No	No	No	Yes	No
b. Well-head protection area defined?	No	No	Defined on Town Plan map, not regs	Town Plan only	Yes - public water supplies
c. On-site sewage disposal buffer around water supplies?	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
11. Agricultural Soils Protection Regulations	No	No	Yes, 10+ contiguous acres in ag	No	No
12. Steep Slopes Regulations	No	No	Yes	No	No
15. Conservation commission	Yes	No	Yes	No	No

Sources:

Hartland: Research by Deborah Noble Associates, April 2005

Windsor, Weathersfield, Springfield: Southern Windsor County Regional Planning Commission, October, 2005

Rockingham: Town of Rockingham, March, 2005

NOTE: Vermont town plans expire after five years. Date given is date of last update.