

THE FOLLOWING IS EXCERPTED FROM:
CITY OF DALLAS
DALLAS CITY CODE
SEC. 51A-4.123. COMMERCIAL SERVICE AND INDUSTRIAL
DISTRICTS

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INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURING (IM) DISTRICT.

(1) Purpose. To provide for heavy industrial manufacturing uses with accompanying open storage and supporting commercial uses. This district is not intended to be located in or near areas of residential development.

(2) Main uses permitted.

(A) Agricultural uses.

-- Crop production.

(B) Commercial and business service uses.

-- Building repair and maintenance shop. [RAR]

-- Bus or rail transit vehicle maintenance or storage facility. [RAR]

-- Catering service.

-- Commercial cleaning or laundry plant. [RAR]

-- Custom business services.

-- Custom woodworking, furniture construction, or repair.

-- Electronics service center.

-- Job or lithographic printing. [RAR]

-- Labor hall. [SUP may be required. See Section [51A-4.202](#) (8.1).]

- Machine or welding shop. [RAR]
- Machinery, heavy equipment, or truck sales and services. [RAR]
- Medical or scientific laboratory.
- Technical school.
- Tool or equipment rental.
- Vehicle or engine repair or maintenance. [RAR]

(C) Industrial uses.

- Alcoholic beverage manufacturing. [RAR]
- Gas drilling and production. [SUP]
- Gas pipeline compressor station. [SUP]
- Industrial (inside). [SUP may be required. See Section [51A-4.203\(a\)](#); otherwise RAR.]
- Industrial (inside) for light manufacturing.
- Industrial (outside). [SUP may be required. See Section [51A-4.203\(a\)](#); otherwise RAR.]
- Medical/infectious waste incinerator. [SUP]
- Metal salvage facility. [SUP]
- Mining. [SUP]
- Municipal waste incinerator. [SUP]
- Organic compost recycling facility. [RAR]
- Outside salvage or reclamation. [SUP]
- Pathological waste incinerator. [SUP]
- Temporary concrete or asphalt batching plant. [SUP]

(D) Institutional and community service uses.

- Adult day care facility.
- Cemetery or mausoleum. [SUP]
- Child-care facility.
- Church.
- College, university, or seminary.
- Hospital. [SUP]

- Public or private school. *[SUP]*
- (E) Lodging uses.
 - Extended stay hotel or motel. *[SUP]*
 - Hotel or motel. *[RAR]*
 - Lodging or boarding house. *[SUP]*
- (F) Miscellaneous uses.
 - Attached non-premise sign. *[SUP]*
 - Carnival or circus (temporary). *[By special authorization of the building official.]*
 - Hazardous waste management facility.
 - Temporary construction or sales office.
- (G) Office uses.
 - Alternative financial establishment. *[SUP]*
 - Financial institution without drive-in window.
 - Financial institution with drive-in window. *[RAR]*
 - Medical clinic or ambulatory surgical center.
 - Office.
- (H) Recreation uses.
 - Country club with private membership.
 - Private recreation center, club, or area.
 - Public park, playground, or golf course.
- (I) Residential uses.
 - None permitted.
- (J) Retail and personal service uses.
 - Alcoholic beverage establishments. *[See Section [51A-4.210\(b\)\(4\)](#).]*
 - Animal shelter or clinic without outside runs.
 - Animal shelter or clinic with outside runs. *[SUP may be required. See Section [51A-4.210\(b\)\(2\)](#).]*
 - Auto service center. *[RAR]*
 - Business school.

- Car wash. [RAR]
- Commercial amusement (inside). [SUP may be required. See Section [51A-4.210\(b\)\(7\)\(B\).](#)]
- Commercial motor vehicle parking. [By SUP only if within 500 feet of a residential district.]
- Commercial parking lot or garage. [RAR]
- Convenience store with drive-through. [SUP]
- Drive-in theater. [SUP]
- Dry cleaning or laundry store.
- Furniture store.
- General merchandise or food store 3,500 square feet or less.
- Home improvement center, lumber, brick or building materials sales yard. [RAR]
- Household equipment and appliance repair.
- Liquefied natural gas fueling station. [By SUP only if the use has more than four fuel pumps or is within 1,000 feet of a residential zoning district or a planned development district that allows residential uses.]
- Motor vehicle fueling station.
- Paraphernalia shop. [SUP]
- Pawn shop.
- Personal service uses.
- Restaurant without drive-in or drive-through service. [RAR]
- Restaurant with drive-in or drive-through service. [DIR]
- Taxidermist.
- Temporary retail use.
- Theater.
- Truck stop. [SUP]
- Vehicle display, sales, and service. [RAR]
- (K) Transportation uses.
 - Airport or landing field. [SUP]
 - Commercial bus station and terminal. [RAR]

- Heliport. [RAR]
- Helistop. [RAR]
- Railroad passenger station. [SUP]
- Railroad yard, roundhouse, or shops. [RAR]
- STOL (short take off or landing) port. [SUP]
- Transit passenger shelter.
- Transit passenger station or transfer center. [By SUP or city council resolution. See Section [51A-4.211.](#)]

(L) Utility and public service uses.

- Commercial radio or television transmitting station.
- Electrical generating plant. [SUP]
- Electrical substation.
- Local utilities. [SUP or RAR may be required. See Section [51A-4.212\(4\).](#)]
- Police or fire station.
- Post office.
- Radio, television, or microwave tower. [RAR]
- Refuse transfer station. [SUP]
- Sanitary landfill. [SUP]
- Sewage treatment plant. [SUP]
- Tower/antenna for cellular communication. [See Section [51A-4.212\(10.1\).](#)]
- Utility or government installation other than listed. [SUP]
- Water treatment plant. [RAR]

(M) Wholesale, distribution, and storage uses.

- Auto auction. [SUP]
- Building mover's temporary storage yard. [SUP]
- Contractor's maintenance yard. [RAR]
- Freight terminal. [RAR]
- Livestock auction pens or sheds. [SUP]
- Manufactured building sales lot. [RAR]

- Mini-warehouse.
- Office showroom/warehouse.
- Outside storage. [RAR]
- Petroleum product storage and wholesale. [RAR]
- Recycling buy-back center. [See Section [51A-4.213\(11\)](#).]
- Recycling collection center. [See Section [51A-4.213\(11.1\)](#).]
- Recycling drop-off container. [See Section [51A-4.213\(11.2\)](#).]
- Recycling drop-off for special occasion collection. [See Section [51A-4.213\(11.3\)](#).]
- Sand, gravel, or earth sales and storage. [RAR]
- Trade center.
- Vehicle storage lot.
- Warehouse. [RAR]

(3) Accessory uses. As a general rule, an accessory use is permitted in any district in which the main use is permitted. Some specific types of accessory uses, however, due to their unique nature, are subject to additional regulations contained in Section [51A-4.217](#). For more information regarding accessory uses, consult Section [51A-4.217](#). The following accessory uses are not permitted in this district:

(A) The following accessory uses are not permitted in this district:

- Accessory community center (private).
- Accessory pathological waste incinerator.
- Home occupation.
- Private stable.

(B) Reserved.

(C) In this district, an SUP may be required for the following accessory uses:

- Accessory medical/infectious waste incinerator. [See Section [51A-4.217 \(3.1\)](#).]

(4) Yard, lot, and space regulations. (Note: The yard, lot, and space regulations in this subsection must be read together with the yard, lot, and space regulations contained in Division [51A-4.400](#). In the event of a conflict between this subsection and Division [51A-4.400](#), Division [51A-4.400](#) controls.)

(A) Front yard. Minimum front yard is:

- (i) 15 feet where adjacent to an expressway or a thoroughfare; and
 - (ii) no minimum in all other cases.
- (B) Side and rear yard. Minimum side and rear yard is:
- (i) 30 feet where adjacent to or directly across an alley from an R, R(A), D, D(A), TH, TH(A), CH, MF, or MF(A) district; and
 - (ii) no minimum in all other cases.
- (C) Dwelling unit density. No maximum dwelling unit density.
- (D) Floor area ratio. Maximum floor area ratio is:
- (i) 0.5 for retail and personal service uses;
 - (ii) 0.75 for any combination of lodging, office, and retail and personal service uses; and
 - (iii) 2.0 for all uses combined.
- (E) Height.
- (i) Residential proximity slope. If any portion of a structure is over 26 feet in height, that portion may not be located above a residential proximity slope. Exception: Except for chimneys, structures listed in Section [51A-4.408\(a\)\(2\)](#) may project through the slope to a height not to exceed the maximum structure height, or 12 feet above the slope, whichever is less. Chimneys may project through the slope to a height 12 feet above the slope and 12 feet above the maximum structure height.
 - (ii) Maximum height. Unless further restricted under Subparagraph (i), maximum structure height is 110 feet.
- (F) Lot coverage. Maximum lot coverage is 80 percent. Aboveground parking structures are included in lot coverage calculations; surface parking lots and underground parking structures are not.
- (G) Lot size. No minimum lot size.
- (H) Stories. Maximum number of stories above grade is eight. Parking garages are exempt from this requirement, but must comply with the height regulations of Subparagraph (E).
- (5) Off-street parking and loading. Consult the use regulations (Division [51A-4.200](#)) for the specific off-street parking requirements for each use. Consult the off-street parking and loading regulations (Divisions [51A-4.300](#) et seq.) for information regarding off-street parking and loading generally.
- (6) Environmental performance standards. See [Article VI](#).
 - (7) Landscape regulations. See [Article X](#).
 - (8) Additional provisions.

(A) Development impact review. A site plan must be submitted and approved in accordance with the requirements of Section [51A-4.803](#) before an application is made for a permit for work in this district if the estimated trip generation for all uses on the lot collectively is equal to or greater than 6,000 trips per day and 500 trips per acre per day. See Table 1 in Section [51A-4.803](#) to calculate estimated trip generation.

(B) Visual intrusion. No portion of any balcony or opening that faces an R, R(A), D, D(A), TH, TH(A), CH, MF-1, MF-1(A), MF-1(SAH), MF-2, MF- 2(A), or MF-2(SAH) district may penetrate or be located above a residential proximity slope originating in that district. (See Section [51A-4.412](#).) For purposes of this paragraph, the term “opening” means an open and unobstructed space or a transparent panel in an exterior wall or door from which there can be visual surveillance into the yard of a residential use. (Ord. Nos. 19455; 19786; 19806; 19873; 19931; 20242; 20273; 20363; 20382; 20425; 20478; 20625; 20806; 20895; 20902; 20920; 20950; 21002; 21044; 21186; 21259; 21314; 21399; 21442; 21456; 21663; 21735; 22204; 22255; 22392; 22531; 22782; 23735; 24232; 24271; 24543; 24759; 24857; 25056; 25785; 25815; 26269; 26920; 27563; 28079; 28214; 28700; 28737; 28803; 29228; [29917](#); [30477](#); [32209](#); [32659](#))