

## *DIVISION 28. PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO GUEST CABINS AND BUNKHOUSES*

### **Sec. 38-778. Guest cabins.**

- (a) Guest cabins are authorized as a permitted use in residential, residential mobile, residential recreational one and two, residential agriculture, agriculture and forestry zoning districts.
- (b) Guest cabins are intended to be used for overflow guest accommodations, etc., and are accessory to the principal structure. A parcel must contain a principal dwelling before a guest cabin can be authorized.
- (c) Guest cabins shall be subject to all provisions of the state uniform dwelling code, as appropriate.
- (d) One guest cabin shall be allowed per lot (lots in contiguous ownership shall be considered one lot for purposes of this use). A lot containing a guest cabin may not also contain a bunkhouse.
- (e) All applicable setbacks shall be maintained.
- (f) Guest cabins shall not exceed the following size limitations:
  - (1) Freestanding guest cabins shall be one story and shall not exceed 400 square feet in floor area.
  - (2) Guest cabins that are within an accessory structure (e.g., pole shed) shall be limited to 50 percent of the structure floor area, or 400 square feet, whichever is lesser.
  - (3) Guest cabins utilizing the loft space (attic truss type construction) above a garage may be the full floor area size of the garage building footprint; however, a garage may not contain two full stories to create living space. No external knee walls shall be allowed above the first story. Dormer windows, if installed, shall not exceed 30 percent (fractional numbers shall be rounded down to the nearest whole number) of the lineal distance of the roof.
- (g) Guest cabins containing plumbing shall be subject to the requirements of Wis. Stats. ch. 145, Wis. Admin. Code ch. SPS 383, and chapter 74.
- (h) When a previously permitted accessory structure is converted to a guest cabin, the size limitations noted in subsection (g) of this section do apply and a change of use permit must be obtained from the zoning office.
- (i) Guest cabins are subject to internal inspection by the zoning department.

(Code 2000, § 38-610; Res. No. 25-15, 3-24-2015; Res. No. 47-17, 6-20-2017; Res. No. 1-19, 2-19-2019)

### **Sec. 38-779. Bunkhouses.**

- (a) Bunkhouses are authorized as a permitted use in residential, residential mobile, residential recreational one and two, residential agriculture, agriculture and forestry zoning districts.
- (b) Bunkhouses are intended to be used for overflow sleeping only and are accessory to the principal structure. A parcel must contain a principal dwelling before a bunkhouse can be authorized.
- (c) Bunkhouses shall be subject to all provisions of the state uniform dwelling code, as appropriate.
- (d) One bunkhouse shall be allowed per lot (lots in contiguous ownership shall be considered one lot for purposes of this use). A lot containing a bunkhouse may not also contain a guest cabin.

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- (e) All applicable setbacks shall be maintained.
  - (f) A bunkhouse shall not contain any plumbing.
  - (g) Bunkhouses shall not exceed 400 square feet in floor area and must be free standing. Bunkhouses shall be limited to one story.
  - (h) A bunkhouse shall not be located within an existing structure (i.e., pole shed, garage).
  - (i) Bunkhouses are subject to internal inspection by the zoning department.

(Code 2000, § 38-611; Res. No. 25-15, 3-24-2015; Res. No. 47-17, 6-20-2017; Res. No. 1-19, 2-19-2019)

**Secs. 38-780—38-801. Reserved.**