

## DRIVEWAY PERMIT RAPHO TOWNSHIP APPLICATION FOR DRIVEWAY

All applications for a Driveway Permit must be accompanied by a drawing showing the shape, size, dimensions and location of the driveway at the proposed intersection with the Township Road as well as the dimensions and location of all existing or proposed berms, curbing, drainage structures and grades of both the driveway and the Township road at the proposed driveway.

Name of Applicant(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of proposed driveway work: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Property Owner(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of work to be done: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**IMPORTANT: A stamped, sealed engineered drawing of proposed driveways shall be provided for all new driveway construction. The drawing must include the location of the driveway, width and length of the driveway, maximum grade, type of surface and all applicable clear sight triangle information.**

### **Procedure:**

- Driveway location must be marked on the property for the Public Works Director to locate and assess proposed construction of the driveway. Please contact the Public Works Director at 717-665-3827 if you wish to meet with him on the site during his inspection.
- Applications may take up to ten (10) business days for approval, so please allow for this time in your schedule of construction.

### **Requirements:**

- Township Driveway Permits are required for the construction of a driveway which connects to a Township road. Driveways which connect to a State Road are required to receive a Highway Occupancy Permit from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.
- Improvements which require a Township Driveway Permit include but are not limited to the following: Construction of a new Driveway, Expansion of width of a driveway, Repaving of a driveway. Driveway additions will also require applicable Stormwater form submissions.

## **Driveway Requirements: Section 515 of Rapho Township Zoning Ordinance**

- ❖ There can be no more than two (2) driveway connections per lot. (Section 515.E.)
- ❖ All driveways shall not connect with a public street within forty (40) feet of the right of way lines of any intersecting streets, within five (5) feet of a fire hydrant, nor within three (3) feet of adjoining lot lines, unless it is a shared use driveway served by no more than four (4) dwelling units.
- ❖ A driveway may not exceed a slope of 10% within 25 feet of the street right of way line.
- ❖ No driveway shall provide a curb cut wider than 24 feet.
- ❖ All driveways shall be constructed in a manner to be consistent with the design maintenance and drainage of the street and/or adjoining swales.
- ❖ No structure, planting, excavation, nor other visual obstruction shall be permitted at a height greater than thirty (30) inches and below ten (10) feet within such area. (Section 504.B.)

**Clear Sight Triangles shall be provided in all zones subject to the applicable design, construction standards and requirements of the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance.**

### **Street and Access Drive Clear Sight Triangle.**

There shall be provided and maintained a clear sight triangle a minimum of one hundred (100) feet as measured along the centerline from the intersecting streets (including corner lots) and access drives. (Section 504.D.1.)

### **Driveway Clear Sight Triangle.**

There shall be provided and maintained a clear sight triangle including two (2) apexes of the triangle located in both directions measured along the centerline of the street intersecting with the driveway, each a minimum of seventy-five (75) feet, and a vertex of the triangle measured along the centerline of the driveway, a minimum of five (5) feet from the adjoining street right-of-way line. (Section 504.D.2.)

Improperly designed and constructed driveways can affect the integrity of the Township road. Redirecting water flow in roadway swales by improper construction of driveways can greatly impact the life of a Township road and may cause hazardous road conditions. This is your township; these are your roads – please follow the recommendations and requirements for good driveway construction.

**Improperly installed driveways and driveways that are constructed without permits may subject the owner to removal and/or relocation of the driveway.**

**The applicant hereby certifies that all facts set forth herein and in all submitted plans are true and correct, as required by Rapho Township Zoning Ordinance as amended December 19, 2019.**

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Signature of Applicant or Property Owner

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Date

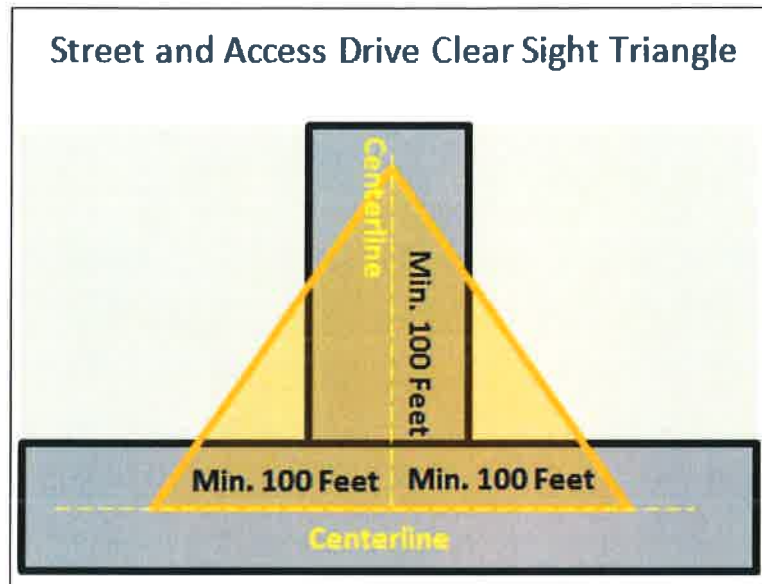


FIGURE 5-4.1  
STREET AND ACCESS DRIVE CLEAR SIGHT TRIANGLE

2. Driveway Clear Sight Triangle. There shall be provided and maintained a clear sight triangle including two (2) apexes of the triangle located in both directions measured along the centerline of the street intersecting with the driveway, each a minimum of seventy-five (75) feet, and a vertex of the triangle measured along the centerline of the driveway, a minimum of five (5) feet from the adjoining street right-of-way line. (See Figure 5-4.2)

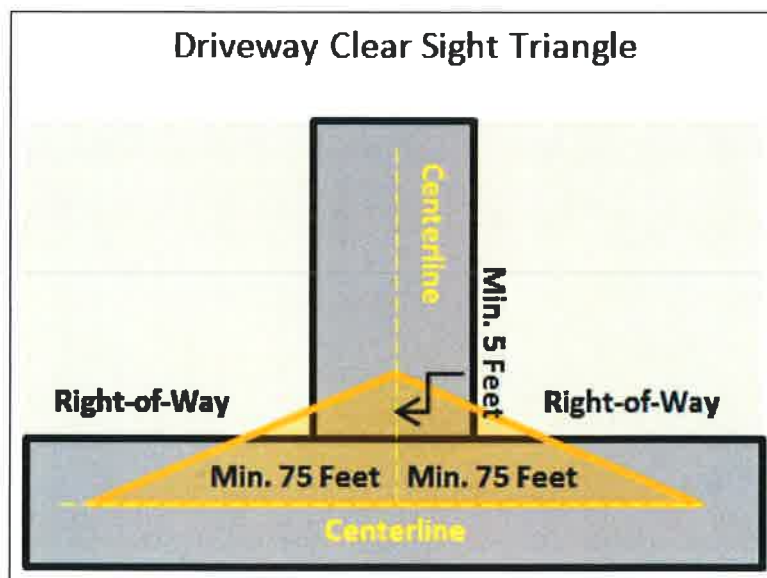


FIGURE 5-4.2  
DRIVEWAY CLEAR SIGHT TRIANGLE