

**WET FLOODPROOFING VARIANCE APPLICATION FORM**

Property Owner or Applicant

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_

Address of subject property (if different from above):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Parcel (tax) Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_

Legal  
Description: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Size of Subject Parcel (contiguous parcel under on ownership): \_\_\_\_\_

Floodplain Map Panel Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**The Following Items Should Be Submitted With This Application:**

1. Elevation survey of the subject site certified by an Illinois Licensed Land Surveyor, Registered Engineer, or local official authorized by local code to provide floodplain management information. The survey should include elevations for the proposed improvements and ground elevations at the proposed site.
2. A copy of the FEMA floodplain map outlining the proposed site.
3. Copies of any applicable state or federal permits.
4. Construction plans for the proposed structure including details of permanent openings, utilities, electrical, etc.

## QUALIFICATION FOR A VARIANCE

A. Building type (check one):

1. Accessory structure (garage or shed) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Agricultural structure \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Farm storage (machinery or equipment) \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Grain bin \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Corn crib \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. Livestock (open on at least one side) \_\_\_\_\_

B. Construction Requirements:

1. Is the building designed with permanent openings (one inch for every square foot of enclosed area subject to flooding) for the automatic entry and exit of flood waters?  
yes                      no
2. Is the building constructed with flood resistant materials:  
yes                      no
3. Are all incoming electrical lines above the base flood elevation?  
yes                      no
4. Are the main electrical switch boxes above the base flood elevation?  
yes                      no
5. Is all heating, ventilating, plumbing, or mechanical equipment elevated above the base flood elevation or designed for quick disconnect and removal?  
yes                      no
6. Is the building used only for parking or limited storage?  
yes                      no
7. Is the building anchored to resist flotation, collapse, and lateral movement?  
yes                      no

C. Technical Information:

1. Base Flood Elevation at subject site \_\_\_\_\_
2. Lowest floor elevation (including basement) of proposed structure \_\_\_\_\_

## VARIANCE BOARD DETERMINATION

The variance board can not vary the regulation of its floodplain ordinance unless they make findings based upon evidence admitted in each specific item below.

The variance board shall fill out the findings of fact and keep on file with the application.

- A. The proposed development cannot be located outside of the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) because:

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- B. The applicant has good and sufficient cause for requesting the variance and will suffer sufficient hardship (other than for financial or convenience reasons, personal preference, or aesthetics) should the variance be denied. The hardship is:

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- C. The variance will not cause increased flood heights, additional threats to public safety, extraordinary public expense, create a nuisance, cause fraud on or victimization of the public, or conflict with existing local laws or ordinances.

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- D. The variance is the minimum necessary, considering the flood hazard to afford relief. Document any additional measures taken to minimize potential flood damages.

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- E. List any specific actions to grantee of the variance will perform expeditiously in the event of a flood to minimize flood damage (disconnect utility hood ups, remove motors and blowers, relocate animals, move equipment, etc.).

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Based on the findings developed above, the granting body votes \_\_\_\_\_ ayes to \_\_\_\_\_ nays to \_\_\_\_\_ (approve or deny) this variance application.

Certified by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman-Variance Board Date

\*\* Note - the building should be inspected by the county permit official to certify that the structure does comply with the conditions of this variance. Failure to comply could result in fines or penalties as outlined in the Floodplain Development Ordinance.

The building has been inspected and does comply with the conditions of this variance.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Permit Official Date

**VARIANCE NOTIFICATION/CERTIFICATION**

The \_\_\_\_\_ County Variance Board at the \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ meeting have approved the request to vary from the elevation requirements of the Floodplain Development Ordinance.

In accordance with the variance procedure outlined in the Floodplain Ordinance, notification is hereby given that by granting this variance:

- 1. The grantee of the variance will be subject to high flood insurance costs as a result of not complying with National Flood Insurance Program regulations: and,
- 2. The grantee of the variance will be subject to increased risks to life and property.

I acknowledge these risks and proceed assuming any and all risk and liability.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Grantee Date

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Chairman-Variance Board Date