



**CHARLOTTE**

**Zoning Interpretation**

**Open Space Requirement**

An area of land or water, which is open and unobstructed including areas maintained in a natural or undisturbed character or areas improved for active or passive recreation. "Open space" shall not include water below the mean high water line located adjacent to the Catawba River and its impoundments, or areas covered with buildings, structures, streets or off-street parking areas, but shall include landscaping associated with such parking areas.

**ISSUE**

*What areas will be considered as open space?*

**POLICY**

**Open space will include all areas of land on a lot that are not covered by:**

- 1. The principal building,**
- 2. Accessory buildings and structures, and**
- 3. Areas designated for parking\***

**\* If no area is allocated for parking, 400 square feet of a driveway will be designated as the required two off-street parking spaces and excluded from open space.**

Date Agreed: September 15, 2005

Approved By: Katrina Young

Code Sections: 9.205(1)(h)  
9.305(1)(h)  
9.705(1)(h)  
9.805(1)(k)

SUPERSEDES :