



Variance Application (February 2011)

Name of Applicant		Property Owner	
Mailing Address		Mailing Address	
City, State, Zip		City, State, Zip	
Telephone		Telephone	
Email		Email	

Address of Subject Property	
Parcel Identification Number(s) (PIN) of Subject Property	

Variance Description: On a separately attached document, please state the particular zoning regulation for which the variance is being requested. Also state the requested variance (For instance, in the case of a setback variance request: If the required side yard setback is 12' and the applicant can only meet a 10' setback; then the applicant will be requesting a 2' variance from the 12' setback requirement.). Please attach a site plan with all appropriate dimensional notations needed to demonstrate the variance request if applicable.

Findings of Fact: The following are the findings of fact associated with a variance request. Applicant is to note that all of the following findings must be found in the affirmative in order for the requested variance to be granted. The applicant is requested to review each of these findings and answer the same to the best ability of the applicant. Responses to each of these findings may be attached to this application on a separate document.

- a.** There are extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property in question because of its size, shape, or topography that are not applicable to other lands or structures in the same district.
- b.** Granting the variance the requested will not confer upon the applicant any special privileges denied to other residents of the district in which the property is located.
- c.** A literal interpretation of the provisions of this ordinance will deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other residence of the district in which the property is located.
- d.** The requested variance will be in harmony with the purpose and intent of this ordinance and will not be injurious to the neighborhood or to the general welfare.
- e.** The special circumstances are not the result of the actions of the applicant.
- f.** The variance requested is the minimum variance that will make possible the legal use of the land, building, or structure.

Owner/Applicant Must Read and Sign

The undersigned property owner, or duly authorized agent/representative thereof certifies that this application and the forgoing answers, statements, and other information herewith submitted are in all respects true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief. The undersigning party understands that any incorrect information submitted may result in the revocation of this application. The undersigning party authorizes the Town of Erwin to review this request and conduct a site inspection to ensure compliance to this application as approved.

Print Name

Signature of Owner or Representative

Date



Variance Application Information

**Part 9
Chapter 4
Article 10**

Board of Adjustments

§ 9-4101.2 Powers and duties.

The Board of Adjustment shall have the following powers and duties:

To authorize upon appeal in specific cases variance from the terms of this ordinance as will not be contrary to the public interest where, owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the provisions of this ordinance will result in undue hardship, so that the spirit of this ordinance shall be observed and substantial justice done.

A charge shall be made to the appellant according to town policy in order to cover administrative and advertising costs (Subsection (d)).

A public hearing shall be held at which all of the following conditions must be found to exist:

- a. There are extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property in question because of its size, shape, or topography that are not applicable to other lands or structures in the same district.
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- f. The variance requested is the minimum variance that will make possible the legal use of the land, building, or structure.

In considering all proposed variances from this ordinance the Board shall, before making any finding in a specified case, first determine that the proposed variance will not constitute any change in the zone shown on the zoning map and will not impair an adequate supply of light and

air to adjacent property, or materially increase the public danger of fire and safety, or materially diminish or impair established property values within the surrounding area, or in any other respect impair the public health, safety, morals, and general welfare.

No permitted use of land in other districts shall be considered grounds for the issuance of a variance. Under no circumstances shall the Board of Adjustment grant a variance to allow a use not permissible under the terms of this ordinance in the district involved, or any expressly or by implication prohibited by the terms of this ordinance in said district.

In granting a variance the Board may attach thereto such conditions regarding the location, character, and other features of the proposed building, structure, or use as it may deem advisable in furtherance of the purposes of this ordinance. Violation of such conditions and safeguards when made a part of the terms under which the variance is granted, shall be deemed a violation of this ordinance.