San Mateo County Planning & Building Department

Maximum Building Heights in Unincorporated San Mateo County

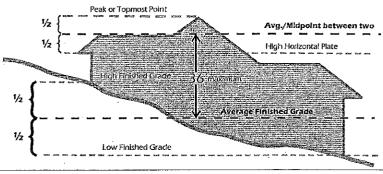
Heights Verification, per County procedures, is required for all homes, designed within 2 feet of the maximum height limit, and is required for all homes in Design Review Districts, regardless of proposed height. See Planner for additional information.

NOTE: All elevation exhibits shown below are intended only as examples to illustrate how height is generally calculated for the cited zoning districts; height compliance confirmation is applicable to all elevation plans (critical with variable topography). Always refer to the respective building height regulations for the applicable zoning district.

Zoning/Combining Districts: S-1 thru S-11, S-81, S-83, SS-103, S-108, RM RM-CZ, TPZ, TPZ-CZ, PAD:

35 ft./36 ft. Height Limit

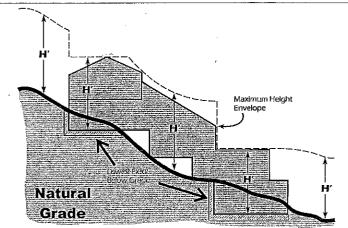
(Average Finished Grade to Average Roofline)



Zoning/Combining Districts: S-71, S-91, S-102, RH

28 ft. to 30 ft. Height Limit

(Natural Grade² (or lowest floor below grade) to topmost point of the building immediately above).



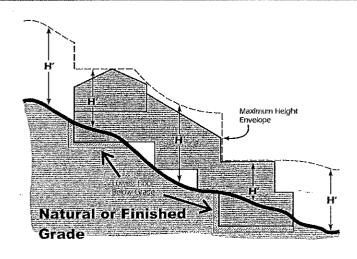
Zoning/Combining Districts: S-17, S-50, S-72 thru S-74, S-82, S-90, S-92 thru S-94, S-100, S-105

(Natural Grade² to topmost point of building immediately above).

28 ft. to 33 ft. Height Limit

Zoning/Combining Districts: S-95, S-101, S-104, S-106, S-110

(Natural Grade² or Finished Grade¹ to topmost point of building immediately above, whichever is lower).



28 ft. to 30 ft. Height Limit

¹Finished Grade (pursuit to sec. 6102.14) is defined as the topographic contours which result after completion of construction on the site. Average finished grade is the <u>average</u> level of the finished grade <u>adjacent</u> to building walls. The outer edges of projecting decks & balconies shall not be counted as "walls" if they are unenclosed below (supporting posts OK) & uncovered above. The average grade shall be calculated by topographic elevations noted at <u>all</u> building wall corners, noted <u>both</u> on the site plan & corresponding elevation plans.

²Natural Grade is defined as the topographic contours which exist prior to any disturbance related to construction on the site.