

## TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL BUILDING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

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## **ZONING COMPLAINT**

Section 194-163 of East Fishkill Town Law provides that whenever a violation occurs, an individual may file a complaint. All such complaints <u>must be in writing</u> and shall be filed with the Building and Zoning Administrator, or his deputies, who will record and investigate the complaint. Complaints may be mailed to the East Fishkill Building Department or submitted in person between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

When filling out your complaint, you must include clear documentation including a specific address, a precise description of the complaint, date and times of alleged violations and any other pertinent information. (Photographs are very useful.)

It is important to note that all Building and Zoning Department records are <u>Public Documents</u>, be sure all information provided by you is accurate. Your complaint <u>cannot</u> remain "anonymous" and may be reviewed by anyone filling a "Freedom of Information Law" request.

The East Fishkill Building and Zoning Department is obligated to investigate a complaint made to us, and all investigation and subsequent enforcement procedures are performed in a fair and equitable manner.

However, it is unlawful for the Building and Zoning Department to attempt to enforce non-zoning related issues. They include, but are not limited to:

- Neighbor Disputes: Under no circumstances will the Building and Zoning Department participate, enable or condone disputes between neighbors.
- Water Problems: Diversion of water onto your property by adjacent property owner is not a zoning issue. This is a civil matter and should be addressed by your attorney.
- Trespass: If you feel someone is using your property in an unlawful manner, it is a trespass issue. You should consult your attorney.



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## **ZONING COMPLAINT FORM**

Date:
Name:
Address:
Phone #:
COMPLAINT MADE AGAINST:
Name of Property Owner:
Address:
Section of Zoning Code being Violated:
NATURE OF COMPLAINT:
You must include a detailed description of the violation(s) including times and dates. Include
photographs, if applicable.
COMPLAINANT'S SIGNATURE: