

DEFINITION:

“**Deck**” means any open structure attached to the main dwelling having a height greater than 0.61 m (2.0 ft.) above ground level, and thereby requiring stairs and railings as outlined in the *Alberta Building Code*. A deck shall not have a roof or walls higher than 1.25 m (4.1 ft.).

“**Patio**” means any developed surface to the main dwelling which is less than 0.61 m (2.0 ft.) above ground level.

“**Porch**” means any open structure attached to a building with means of passage between the building and the outside that is covered by a roof, and may be partially enclosed with walls, windows or screens, provided that the structure is not entirely enclosed with walls. Roofs may be open to, or provide protection from, the elements. For the purposes of the Bylaw, a veranda shall be considered a porch.



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Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of information contained in this publication. However, in the event of a discrepancy between this publication and the current Town of Vermilion Land Use Bylaw, the Bylaw will take precedence.

A complete copy of the Land Use Bylaw 1-2020 is available on the Town of Vermilion website vermilion.ca under Local Government → Town Departments → Planning Development.

Land Use Bylaw

Residential Decks, Patios, and Porches Regulations



Land Use Bylaw 1-2020
Schedule B - Part One
General Use Provisions
Projection into Yards

REGULATION:

1. A Development Permit is not required for a deck, patio, or porch in a Residential District that meets the minimum distance requirements outlined in the accessory use provisions of the current Land Use Bylaw.

Front Yards

- Patios, decks, and porches may project into a front yard provided they are not enclosed and are no closer than 4.5 m (14.8 ft.) from the front line.

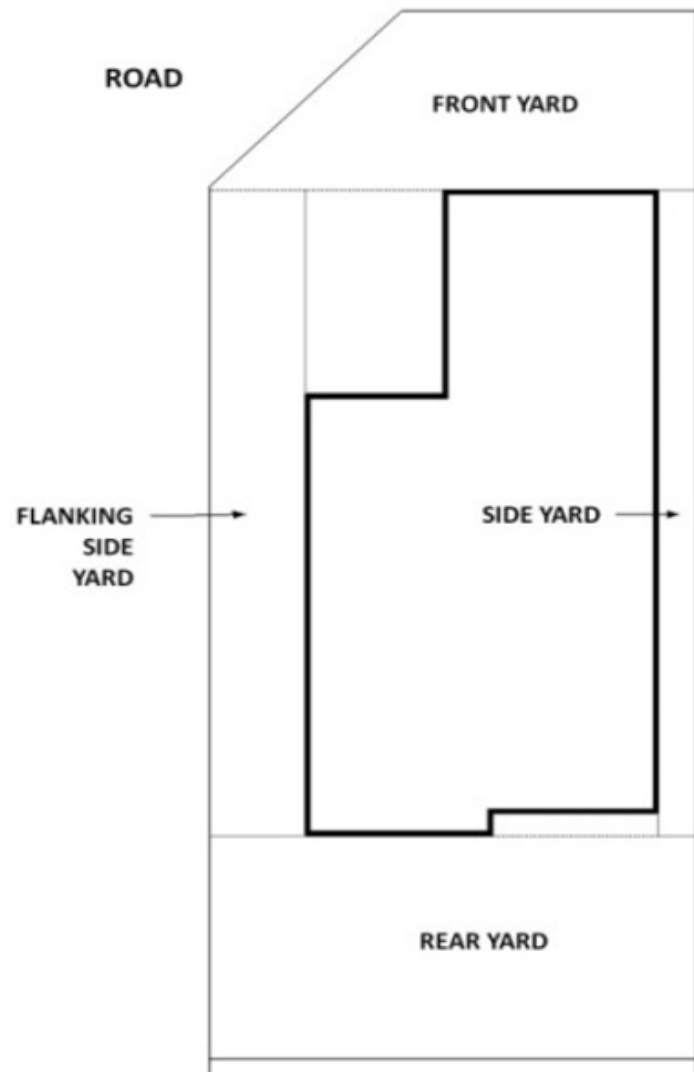
Side Yards

- Decks may project into a side yard, provided it does not exceed 50% of the width of the side yard.
- Patios may project into a side yard; except where a side yard of 2.59 m (8.50 ft.) is required for vehicular passage.

Rear Yards

- Decks may project into a rear yard provided such projection does not exceed 3.6 m (11.8 ft.).
- Patios can project to the rear line.

Figure 1 – Front, Side, Flanking Side, and Rear Yards (Not drawn to scale)



Land Use Bylaw 1-2020
Schedule B - Part Three
Special Use Provisions
Mobile & Manufactured
Modular Home Units

REGULATION:

1. A Development Permit is required for a deck, patio, or porch on a mobile or manufactured modular home unit.
2. The maximum permitted floor area shall be proportionate to the floor area of the mobile or manufactured modular home unit.
3. A deck, patio, or porch is not permitted in the front yard.
4. Any porch shall be regarded as part of the manufactured home unit for the purpose of minimum separation requirements from adjacent properties.

