



## Planning & Zoning: Critical Area Worksheet

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This worksheet must be submitted with a project or permit application for proposed activities in the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area (areas within 1,000' of tidal waters or wetlands of the Bay or its tributaries). The form must also be submitted with a Site Plan, Subdivision Plan or replatting within the critical area. *This form is NOT required if this is interior work only.*

To use this form, simply fill out the BLUE boxes on this page and the rest will calculate automatically.

Project Name or Street Address:		Project Number:	
Date submitted	Agent or Company:		

### Lot Size

Official size of the property involved:

Calculate the total square footage of your lot (1 acre = 43,560 sq. ft.):  Ac. X 43,560 =  sq. ft.

**OR** enter the square footage from official records:  sq. ft.

Please press this button to ensure the worksheet uses the **LARGER** of these two numbers if both lines are filled in ==>

### Disturbance within the 100 foot Critical Area Buffer

Will this project disturb any ground, soil or trees within 100' of any stream, creek or waterway?

No  Yes. If Yes, disturbance amount:  sq. ft.

### Forested and Developed Woodland Area Outside Critical Area 100' Buffer

Total existing forested and wooded area:  sq. ft.

Total forest and woodland to be removed:  sq. ft.

### Disturbance on Steep Slopes

Will this project disturb any ground with a slope steeper than 15%?

No  Yes. If Yes, disturbance amount:  sq. ft.

### Allowable Impervious Lot Coverage (from chart on 2nd page) - this is the maximum impervious coverage

Calculate allowable coverage based on lot size  X  =  sq. ft.

Please use Square Feet	Existing Lot Coverage	Existing Coverage to be Removed	Proposed Additional Lot Coverage	Totals	
House (roof)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	sq. ft.
Driveway & sidewalks	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	sq. ft.
Accessory Structures	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	sq. ft.
<b>Total Existing + Total Proposed new lot coverage =</b>				<input type="text"/>	sq. ft.

**\* PLEASE NOTE:** Lots under 1/2 acre may not have impervious area in excess of 25% of total lot area.  
 Lots over 1/2 acre may not have impervious area in excess of 15% of total lot area.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If the recorded plat for this lot indicates the impervious area limit to be different than what is calculated above, we will be required to use the amount as recorded.

**Please remember to complete pages 2 & 3!**

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**Required Lot Tree Coverage**

Calculate required coverage based on lot size		X	15%	=		sq. ft.
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After your proposed activity, will trees cover at least this amount of square feet?	No		Yes
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**If No, mitigation required by the Calvert County Zoning Ordinance:**

					trees
This is the required tree coverage		Divide by 300			shrubs
<b>Rounded down.</b> This is the approximate number of 6' tall, 1.5" caliper or larger trees required to meet the 15% tree coverage requirement. Plus, you must add 3 shrubs for every tree.					

<sup>1</sup> Calvert County Critical Area Native Plant List is available on the county's Critical Area website:  
<https://calvertcountymd.gov/1246/Critical-Area>

According to Table 22-2 [Effective 3-1-2025] of the Calvert County Zoning Ordinance, the property owner performs on-site mitigation or pays a fee-in-lieu of mitigation as required by the local jurisdiction to offset potential adverse water quality impacts.

**Table 2-22 Lot Coverage Limitations**

Lot/Parcel Size (in square feet)	Lot Coverage Limit
0 - 8,000	25% of lot/parcel plus 500 square feet*
8,001 - 21,780	31.25% of lot/parcel*
21,781 - 36,300	5445 square feet*
Greater than or equal to 36,301	15% of lot/parcel

\* iv. The property owner shall perform mitigation as per Section 22-3.1 for the square footage of lot coverage added above 15% of the parcel or, if such is not feasible, the property owner may pay a fee-in-lieu of performing the on-site mitigation (in an amount approved by the Board of County Commissioners) multiplied by the area in square feet of the new Lot Coverage that exceeds 15% of the lot/parcel. All fees-in-lieu collected under this section will be placed in the Critical Area fees-in-lieu fund to support projects that improve water quality

<https://calvertcountymd.gov/544/Fees>

**Please remember to complete the certifications on page 3!**

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**CERTIFICATION**

I/We certify that I am the Property Owner(s) and that the information and exhibits herewith submitted are true and correct based on personal knowledge. I hereby understand that these computations shall be a binding part of issuance of a building permit.

**If additional space for signatures is needed**, please attach a supplemental signature form (PZ-SIG).

**Property Owner, Primary**

First Name:		Last Name:	
Signature:		Date Signed:	
Mailing Address			
City:		State:	
		Zip:	
eMail:		Phone #:	

**Property Co-owner, if applicable**

First Name:		Last Name:	
Signature:		Date Signed:	
Mailing Address:			
City:		State:	
		Zip:	
eMail:		Phone #:	

If this worksheet is completed by a paid representative or agent, please complete the following:

Agent's Firm (if applicable)			
First Name:		Last Name:	
Signature:		Date Signed:	
Mailing Address:			
City:		State:	
		Zip:	
eMail:		Phone #:	