

Section 7.13 Foster Care Facility, Group Home

A. Compliance with Table 3-4: See Table 3-4 for standards pertaining to minimum lot area, width, frontage, and yard setbacks, and maximum building height and building and lot coverage, except as follows:

1. Building setbacks shall comply with Table 3-4 but in no case shall a front and rear yard setback be less than forty (40) feet and in no case shall a side yard setback be less than twenty (20) feet.

B. Additional Standards and Requirements:

1. A group home foster care facility shall not be located closer than fifteen-hundred (1,500) feet to any of the following facilities as measured along road frontage maintained by the County Road Commission:
 - a. Another foster care group home facility licensed by the State of Michigan.
 - b. A group home day care facility licensed by the State of Michigan.
 - c. A facility offering substance abuse treatment and rehabilitation services to seven (7) or more people which is licensed by the State of Michigan.
 - d. A community correction center, resident home, halfway house or other similar facility which houses an inmate population under the jurisdiction of the Department of Corrections.
2. Any outdoor children's' play area shall be enclosed with fencing, a minimum of four (4) feet high.
3. The property, including landscape and structural elements, shall be developed and maintained in a manner that is consistent with the general character of residential properties within the general area.
4. No approval shall be granted prior to the applicant's receipt of a license from the Michigan Office of Child and Adult Licensing unless required otherwise by law.