



CITY OF NEWBURYPORT  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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CITY OF NEWBURYPORT, CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
PLUM ISLAND LETTER PERMIT APPLICATION

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Map: \_\_\_\_\_, Lot: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title/Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Letter permits are issued for projects that have no chance of adversely impacting wetland resource areas including the Plum Island Barrier Beach and Coastal Dune system. This Plum Island Letter Permit can be used for such projects as fencing, planting and other minor site work that complies with the guidelines for work on Plum Island as outlined in the Newburyport Wetland Protection Regulations (Chapter 6.5, Article II, Section 6).

**Once complete, please send 2 paper copies of complete permit application and fee of \$25.00 (payable to the City of Newburyport) to the Conservation Commission at City Hall and email a copy in .pdf format to [jgodtfredsen@cityofnewburyport.com](mailto:jgodtfredsen@cityofnewburyport.com).**

**The letter permit application must contain the following information:**

**1. Site Plan requirements** -Plans may be hand drawn on an existing engineering drawing or assessors plan is fine as long as site and work details are accurate drawn to scale and shows the entire lot

- ☐ All structures existing and proposed
- ☐ Parking for vehicles involved in construction and any areas that must be traveled on
- ☐ Location of dumpsters for debris
- ☐ Location of material or debris stockpiles
- ☐ Existing conditions of ground surfaces (i.e. is this a gravel parking area or vegetated yard?)
- ☐ Features such as walls or fences

- ☐ Erosion control if necessary
- ☐ Plan must be signed and dated by the applicant
- ☐ If the site is within 100 feet of salt marsh, coastal beach or the River, the location of these resource areas shall be shown on the plan. The FEMA Flood zone must be identified.
- ☐ Critical topographic details such as estimated degree and direction of slope, type and amount of vegetative cover, existence of pavement or lawn or other surface type must be indicated on the plan for review purposes.

**2. A Construction Sequence Narrative** (with a minimum of the following information).

- ☐ A step by step narrative of how the project will proceed
- ☐ Explanation of whether the work will be done by hand, equipment or heavy machinery
- ☐ There may be no grading, excavation or removal of sand or vegetation from the site.
- ☐ Approximately how long the project will take
- ☐ If project involves planting or landscaping, all the plant species and landscaping materials must be listed. All plants must be native and non-invasive. Only beach-grade sand may be used – no topsoils or mulches.

**3. Other Requirements**

- ☐ Proof of ownership and/or signature of all owners, or proof of certified mailing notification to all owners must be submitted with any letter permit application.
- ☐ Photographs must be submitted showing the work location and the surrounding area.

I certify that all details relating to project work, resource area location and buffer zone boundaries are correct and accurately depicted on the attached site plan and understand that failure to provide accurate information will result in this permit being revoked and possible enforcement action.

The Conservation Administrator will review the submitted information and a written response will be given. If a letter permit is granted, it is valid for one year from the date of issuance. Any changes to approved projects must be presented to the Conservation Administrator for another review to ensure no resources will be impacted.

Signature of applicant:

\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of owner if different: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_