

**§ 25-1-23 IMPERVIOUS COVER MEASUREMENT.**

(A) Except as otherwise provided in this section, impervious cover means the total area of any surface that prevents the infiltration of water into the ground, such as roads, parking areas, concrete, and buildings [~~is the total horizontal area of covered spaces, paved areas, walkways, and driveways~~].

(B) Impervious cover shall be calculated in accordance with the Environmental Criteria Manual and Section 25-8-63 (*Impervious Cover Calculations*). [~~excludes~~

- ~~\_\_\_\_\_ (1) pools;~~
- ~~\_\_\_\_\_ (2) ponds;~~
- ~~\_\_\_\_\_ (3) fountains;~~
- ~~\_\_\_\_\_ (4) areas with gravel placed over pervious surfaces that are used only for landscaping or by pedestrians; and~~
- ~~\_\_\_\_\_ (5) a subsurface portion of a parking structure if the director determines that:~~
  - ~~\_\_\_\_\_ (a) the subsurface portion of the structure:~~
    - ~~\_\_\_\_\_ (i) is located within the urban roadway boundary depicted in Figure 2 of Subchapter E of Chapter 25-2 (Design Standards and Mixed Use), but outside the Barton Springs Zone;~~
    - ~~\_\_\_\_\_ (ii) is below the grade of the land that existed before the construction of the structure;~~
    - ~~\_\_\_\_\_ (iii) is covered by soil with a minimum depth of two feet and an average depth of not less than four feet; and~~
    - ~~\_\_\_\_\_ (iv) has an area not greater than fifteen percent of the site;~~
  - ~~\_\_\_\_\_ (b) the structure is not associated with a use regulated by Section 1.2.2 of Subchapter F of Chapter 25-2 (Residential Design and Compatibility Standards);~~
  - ~~\_\_\_\_\_ (c) the applicant submits an assessment of the presence and depth of groundwater at the site sufficient to determine whether groundwater will need to be discharged or impounded; and~~
  - ~~\_\_\_\_\_ (d) the discharge or impoundment of groundwater from the structure, if any, will be managed to avoid adverse effects on public health and safety, the environment, and adjacent property.~~

~~\_\_\_\_\_ (C) For an uncovered wood deck that has drainage spaces between the deck boards and that is located over a pervious surface, 50 percent of the horizontal area of the deck is included in the measurement of impervious cover.~~

~~\_\_\_\_\_ (D) The measurement of impervious cover to determine compliance with Chapter 25-8, Subchapter A (Water Quality) is prescribed by Chapter 25-8, Subchapter A, Article 1, Division 4 (Impervious Cover Determinations).]~~