AUBURN TOWNSHIP
ZONING DEPARYTMENT

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ACCESSORY BUILDINGS

An accessory building is a subordinate building (i.e. pole barn, storage shed, etc) which is incidental to or customarily used in connection with the main building or use on a lot.

The accessory building is detached from the main or principal building and must be located on the same lot as the main building or use.

Guidelines for accessory buildings:

- The use of a detached accessory building as a dwelling unit or living space shall be prohibited [5.02(a)]
- Can only be located in side or rear yards and must be located behind the front building line of the dwelling.
- Must be located at least 15' from any lot line or other building on the same lot [5.02(a)(2)(a)]
- Must be located 10' from Private Water System (your well)
- Must be located 10' from any component of the septic system
- An accessory building shall not exceed a height of 18' [Article 4]
- Accessory buildings must be located on the same lot as the principal building and cannot exceed the allowed lot coverage.
- All lights on an accessory building shall be shielded to direct the light onto the accessory building and away from adjacent property and shall utilize down direct lighting that will not beam upward into the sky and may be of sufficient intensity to discourage vandalism and theft.