

LID Regulations- Location Cheat Sheet

This is some help for how to find *where* in your local regulations the various LID techniques would typically be found. It is not exhaustive.

Start with Table of Contents, or the outline dropdowns if using on-line Code of Ordinances

If you have electronic version of documents, do 'Ctrl F' to search for key words, or use the 'Search' function for on-line versions.

If you have other stand-alone ordinances or department policies, ask those departments if they have written requirements for applicants (i.e., internal inspection checklists, construction specifications, etc.) Also, consider standard operating procedures used on municipal projects.

(While reviewing your regulations, you may also discover things you can streamline or consolidate, or internal conflicts which could be resolved.)

LID Feature group	Regulatory document	Section examples	Notes/Tips:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conservation Development Other form of Compact Zoning w/ protection of resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoning Ordinance LDSR 	<p>ZO= It's own section, or under Special Districts or Overlay Districts</p> <p>In LDSR- likely to have its own section of Special Requirements</p>	<p>Screen for potential barriers to fully realizing this technique. For example, if an applicant has to apply for a zoning district change or a Special Use Permit to use this, why would they bother? Both require an <i>extra</i> public hearing process.</p> <p>A more LID friendly method is to just allow it as an option by right. Other options are: require it, or have it be an option at the discretion of the PB. (no extra public hearing required)</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limits of Disturbance Clearing and Grading Cut and Fill Preservation of undisturbed natural areas Compaction of soils 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoning Ord. LDSR SESC ordinance Landscaping Ordinance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development plan review requirements SESC requirements Landscaping requirements Construction Methods Site development design standards Construction standards Stormwater Design Standards 	<p>Be thorough in your search, as these provisions may exist in all referenced locations, or in some, but not in others.</p> <p>Sometimes they have different applicability, or may override another regulation, or may be cross-referenced from another regulation.</p>

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Soil Erosion and Sediment Control requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SESC ordinance • ZO • LDSR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May be own section • In ZO may be under Development Plan or Performance Criteria • In LDSR may be under Stormwater 	Many municipalities adopted the model ordinance from RIGL 45-46 SESC Enabling Legislation (c.1990's), which does not include provisions for LID pertaining to land disturbing activities. Even the updated model ordinance that contains MS4 requirements for construction site Pollution Prevention does not include standards for LID techniques above.
Flexible building envelopes	ZO LDSR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special zoning district provisions • Lot Design Standards • Special provisions 	
Front/side yard Setbacks	ZO	Dimensional requirements (by zoning district)	
Driveways	LDSR Curb Cut permit	Residential Lot design standards	
Limits on Lawn areas	LDSR ZO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residential Lot design standards • Special district/Overlay zone 	
Site Inspections	LDSR SESC Ord ZO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guarantees of Performance • Construction Requirements • Inspection of Improvements • Development Plan requirements 	Various departments may have checklists for sign-off requirements that require inspections at different stages of construction.
Landscaping/revegetation	ZO LDSR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landscaping Standards • Public Improvement Standards • Parking Lot design Standards • Site Design 	Make sure no internal conflicts between Development Plan requirements and individual zoning district requirements or particular use requirements. Intended differences should be recognized.
Lot impervious coverage	Zoning Ordinance	Dimensional standards (by district)	Also, check Special Districts and Overlay Zones, which may be in a different location than Dimensional Standards section.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> street widths dead ends sidewalk standards 	LDSR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Street Design Standards Public Design and Improvement Standards 	
Curbing Curb bump-outs	LDSR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Street Design Standards Street Construction Stormwater Landscaping 	
Parking lot design	ZO- ratios, landscaping LDSR-landscaping, stall size/shape	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Off-street Parking requirements Shared Parking Mixed Use standards Development Plan requirements 	
Utilities	LDSR Utility Department	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design Requirements Public Improvement Standards 	Water/Sewer department may have requirements not contained in LDSR.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conceptual Stormwater plan Conceptual Landscaping plan 	LDSR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application review requirements Checklist submittal requirements 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stormwater regulations disconnection of flow pervious surface materials 	LDSR Stormwater Ordinance Zoning Ordinance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design Requirements Public Improvement Standards Development Plan requirements Construction Methods/specifications 	Make sure your stormwater regulations, especially LID friendly requirements, are not limited to a special zoning district. Why not apply broadly to all zoning districts? Check also for more protective provisions in Special districts or as may be applied to critical areas.

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Pollution prevention	LDSR SESC ordinance (if updated with MS4 construction site pollution prevention requirements)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application checklists • site plan application requirements • construction site operation requirements • Stormwater plan requirements 	Be sure to cover pollution prevention for both construction sites (e.g. concrete washout, etc.) and for completed sites (e.g. solid waste containment, storage of hazardous materials, parking lot maintenance, etc.)
Application procedures	LDSR Planning Department Building Department	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application procedures • Procedures for Review and Approval 	
Construction procedures	LDSR Building Department	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction Methods • Construction Procedures 	
Proof of Training	LDSR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design Requirements • Inspections • Construction procedures 	
As-Built plans	LDSR Building Department	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction procedures • Final approval requirements • Certificate of Occupancy (CO) requirements 	
Legal documents	LDSR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application / Checklist submittal Requirements 	
Redevelopment	ZO LDSR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development Plan Review • Change of Use • Expansion of Use • Changes to recorded or approved plans • Stormwater requirements 	