

DETACHED GARDEN SUITES

Detached garden suites provide an important form of affordable housing in the City of Maple Ridge that benefits both renters and homeowners. Detached garden suites are self contained dwellings that are separate from a single detached dwelling and have cooking facilities, a living/sleeping area and a bedroom.

BENEFITS OF DETACHED GARDEN SUITES

- 1 Provides property owners with 'mortgage helper' income that, otherwise, might preclude mortgage qualification;
- 2 Provides the opportunity for investment properties;
- 3 Provides housing options that support residents at various changing life stages, circumstances, and economic means; and,
- 4 Provides increased security by allowing for a caretaker or someone else in the dwelling unit.



BUSINESS LICENCE REGULATIONS

A Business Licence is required if there are two rental units on the property. This means if the single detached house is being rented and the registered detached garden suite is also being rented, the property owner must have a business licence in order to rent out both dwellings.



BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits are required for any new construction or alteration of a detached garden suite. To ensure compliance with BC Building Code, a registered owner or authorized agent for the owner may apply for the building permit.

If you are thinking of building a new detached garden suite, there are guides, bulletins, and checklists for constructing a new detached garden suite on the Building Department website. For building permit application requirements, guides, bulletins and checklists, please visit www.mapleridge.ca, scan the QR code, or contact Building Department staff.



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MAPLE RIDGE BUILDING
PERMIT GUIDES

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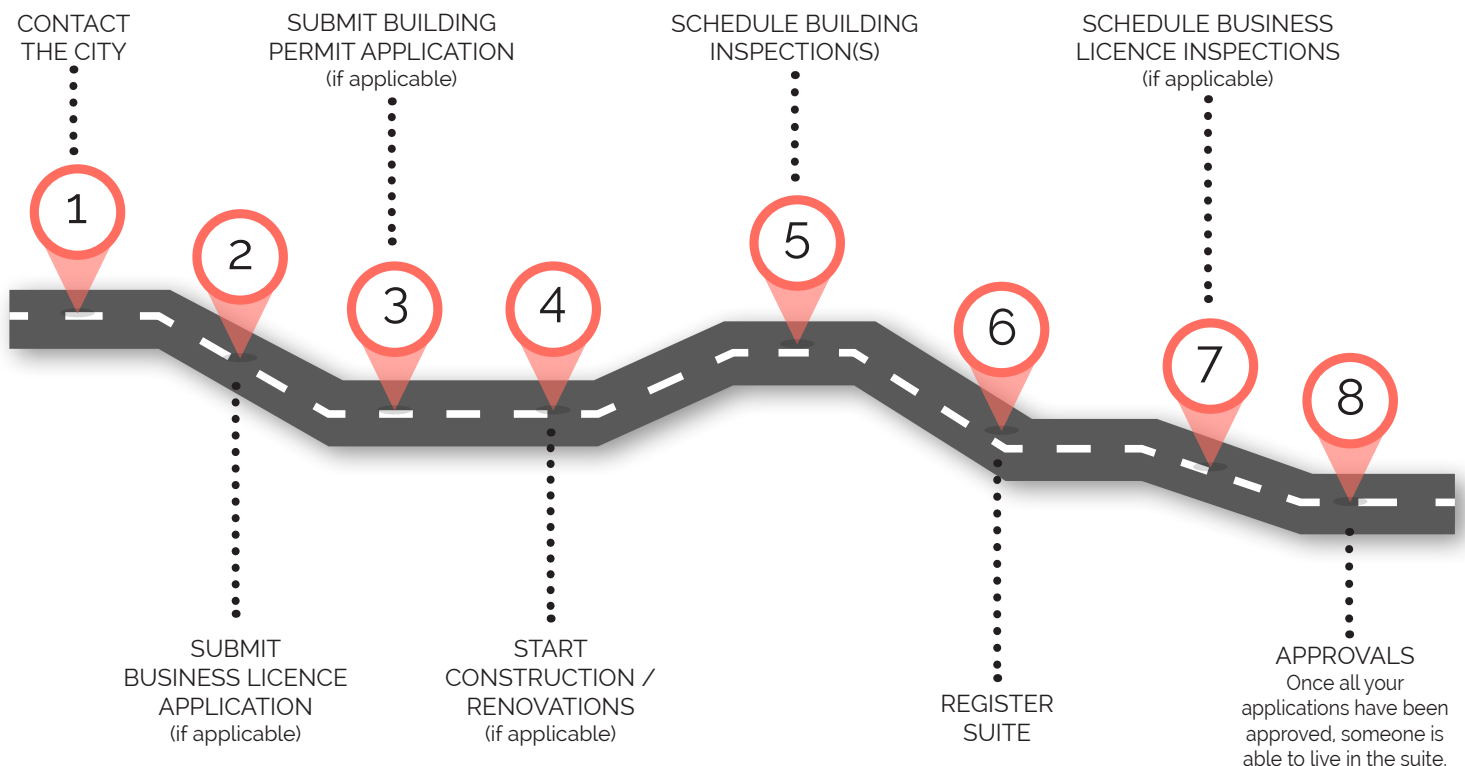
REGULATION SUMMARY

The following information provides a summary of the regulations that apply to detached garden suites within the City of Maple Ridge. This information is provided for convenience only, please refer to Zoning Bylaw No. 7600-2019 for full details on all the zoning and land use regulations that apply to detached garden suites.

ZONING REGULATIONS

- Detached garden suites are permitted in the following zones:
A-1; A-2; A-3; A-4; RS-1; RS-1a; RS-1b; RS-1c; RS-1d; RS-2; RS-3; SRS; CD-1-g3.
- One detached garden suite per lot is permitted.
- Detached garden suites are not permitted on lots that are less than 557m² in area.
- Detached garden suites must not be less than 37m² and no more than 90m² or 10% of the lot area (whichever is less).
- One off-street parking space must be dedicated to the detached garden suite.
- Detached garden suites must not be located within the Floodplain Area unless constructed above established flood construction level.
- Detached garden suites must remain under the same legal title.
- Detached garden suites must not be used for short-term/vacation rentals.
- Detached garden suites are not permitted where there is a Bed and Breakfast, Boarding, Secondary Suite, Temporary Residential, Caretaker Residential, or Two-Unit Residential use on a lot.

STEPS TO REGISTERING A DETACHED GARDEN SUITE



MAPLE RIDGE
British Columbia

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Maple Ridge, BC Canada V2X 6A9

Hours
Monday to Friday 8:00am– 4:00pm
Closed Statutory Holidays

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