

**Town of Farmingdale  
Application for Variance  
to Board of Appeals**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City or Town: \_\_\_\_\_, Maine      Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of Lot Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Map: \_\_\_\_\_ Lot No.: \_\_\_\_\_

A. Variance is relief from a dimensional requirement, such as a setback distance, required under the Farmingdale Code of Ordinances.

Nature of Variance: Describe generally the nature of the variance \_\_\_\_\_

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In addition to the above description, a sketch plan of the property, drawn approximately to scale, must accompany this application showing dimensions and shape of the lot, the size and locations of existing structures, the locations and dimensions of proposed buildings or alterations, distance between structure and lot lines, shorelines, and roads, and any natural or topographic peculiarities of the lot in question.

B. Variance Criteria (Section 4-801 of the Farmingdale Code and 30-A M.R.S.A. §4353): In order for a variance to be granted, the appellant must demonstrate to the Board of Appeals that the strict application of the terms of the zoning ordinance would cause undue hardship. There are four criteria which must be met before the Board of Appeals can find that an undue hardship would be imposed by strict application of the ordinance standards. Please explain on an attached sheet of paper how your situation meets each of those criteria listed below.

1. The land in question cannot yield a reasonable return unless the variance is granted.
2. The need for a variance is due to the unique circumstances of the property and not to the general conditions in the neighborhood.
3. The granting of a variance will not alter the essential character of the locality.
4. The hardship is not the result of action taken by the appellant or a prior owner.

I certify that the information contained in this application and any attachment is true and correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

Upon completion, please return this form along with any attachments, to the Farmingdale Town Clerk. You will be notified of the date of the hearing on your variance request.

**APPENDIX A**