

2025-18

**ORDINANCE OF THE  
TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN, RHODE ISLAND**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN CODE OF THE  
TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN**

**TITLE XV LAND USAGE  
Chapter 152 Zoning Code**

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:**

FIRST: That Town Code Title XV, Land Usage, Chapter 152, entitled “Zoning Code”, Article 7, entitled “Supplementary Regulations” is amended by adding a new Section 729 entitled “Temporary Storage Units” thereto, as set forth below:

**TITLE XV LAND USAGE**

**Chapter 152 Zoning Ordinance**

**Article 7 Supplementary Regulations**

**§ 729 Temporary Storage Units**

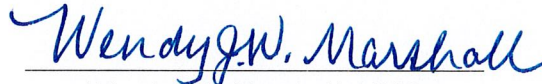
- A. Definition. “Temporary Storage Unit” means any container used for the storage of personal property that is typically rented to owners or occupants of real property, but may be owned by such, for their temporary use and which customarily is delivered and removed by truck. Containers and/or trailers used for the purpose of storing construction equipment on an active construction site shall be exempt from this section.
- B. Permit. No person shall place a Temporary Storage Unit on private property within a residential zoning district, or in connection with a residential use within any zoning district, without first obtaining a permit from the Building Official.
- C. Size & Number. There shall be no more than one (1) Temporary Storage Unit allowed per dwelling unit. Temporary Storage Units shall not be permitted on vacant lots. The maximum size of a Temporary Storage Unit shall not be larger than eight (8’) feet wide, twenty (20’) feet long and eight (8’) feet high.
- D. Duration. No Temporary Storage Unit shall remain on a property in excess of one hundred twenty (120) consecutive days or in excess of one hundred eighty (180) days in any calendar year. Provided, however, that the Building Official shall have the authority to grant a one-time extension of up to sixty (60) days.

- E. Location. Temporary Storage Units shall be located, where practical, within driveways and not in required parking spaces, fire lanes, loading zones, public rights-of-way or applicable setbacks. Discretion on location of containers shall be given to the Building Official.
- F. Use. No hazardous materials of any kind, including flammable materials, shall be stored in any Temporary Storage Unit.
- G. Other. All other temporary and mobile storage facilities for residential use are prohibited in all zoning districts, except as allowed in this section.

SECOND: This ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption and all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

JULY 7, 2025

READ AND ADOPTED IN COUNCIL



Wendy J.W. Marshall, MMC  
Town Clerk