

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO DURHAM ZONING ORDINANCE
to increase the required minimum square footage per occupant in an apartment
from 300 square feet to 600 square feet

September 10, 2014

❖ *Change “1” to “.5” as indicated below*

ARTICLE II - DEFINITIONS

HOUSEHOLD – A group of occupants of a dwelling unit restricted to the following two (2) categories:

1. FAMILY – An individual or two (2) or more persons related within the second degree of kinship by civil law or by marriage or adoption or foster care arrangement living together as a single housekeeping unit, including necessary domestic help such as nurses or servants not to exceed three (3) in number.
2. UNRELATED HOUSEHOLD – Any household not conforming to the definition of a "family," provided that no such household shall have a number of members in excess of the figure provided in Table II-1.

Table II-1. DWELLING DENSITY BY TYPE

| Dwelling type | Maximum number of occupants in unrelated household per 300 square feet of habitable floor area |
|---|---|
| Single-family dwelling | 1 |
| Duplex or townhouse | 1 |
| Apartment, (excluding accessory apartments), except in the ORLI and MUDOR districts | 1 <u>.5</u> |
| Apartment (excluding accessory apartments) in the ORLI and MUDOR districts | 1.5 |
| Accessory Apartment | 1.5 |
| Rooming/boarding, including accessory rooming/boarding | 2 |
| Dormitory | 3 |
| Fraternity or sorority | 2 |
| Nursing home | 2 |
| Elderly housing | 1.5 |

Notes: No more than three (3) unrelated occupants may occupy a dwelling unit in an R, RA, RB, RC, PO, CH, C, or CC Zoning District. See Section 175-109(D).