

ME – Mineral Extraction Zone (Sections 213-214)

Purpose of the Zone

The purpose of the ME – Mineral Extraction Zone is to:

- (1) permit licensed mineral extraction operations in areas mainly designated as **Sand and Gravel Resource Area** or **Limestone Resource Area** in the Official Plan;
- (2) allow a limited range of permitted uses which are related to or compatible with mineral extraction operations, as well as interim uses that would not sterilize the potential of future mineral extraction operation on the lands within the ME zones;
- (3) impose regulations to minimize the impact of mineral extraction operations on the surrounding area.

213. In the ME Zone:

Permitted Uses

- (1) The following uses are permitted subject to:
 - (a) the provisions of subsections 213(3) and (4);
agricultural use, see *Part 2, Section 62*
agriculture-related use, see *Part 3, Section 79B* (By-law 2021-222)
environmental preserve and educational area
equestrian establishment
forestry operation
kennel, see *Part 3, Section 84*
on-farm diversified use, see *Part 3, Section 79A* (By-law 2019-41) (By-law 2021-222)
leaf and yard waste composting facility
mineral extraction operation
- (2) The following conditional uses are permitted subject to the following:
 - (a) the provisions of subsections 213(3) and (4);
 - (b) the use is located on the same lot as an operating **mineral extraction operation**;
 - (c) the use **mobile home** is for a security guard or caretaker;
 - (d) the **waste processing and transfer facility** is limited to inert construction materials such as concrete and asphalt;

one **mobile home**
waste processing and transfer facility

Zone Provisions

- (3) Zone provisions are set out in Table 213 below.

TABLE 213 - ME ZONE PROVISIONS

I ZONING MECHANISMS	II ZONE PROVISIONS	
	(i) Farm produce outlet associated with an agricultural use	(ii) All other uses
(a) Minimum lot width (m)	30	
(b) Minimum lot area (ha)	10	
(c) Maximum gross floor area (m ²)	28	not applicable
(c) Minimum front yard setback (m)	6	30
(d) Minimum rear yard setback (m)	15	
(e) Minimum interior side yard setback (m)	15	
(f) Minimum corner side yard setback (m)	30	
(g) Maximum height (m)	15	
(h) Minimum width of landscaped area along all lot lines (m)	15	

- (4) For other applicable provisions, see Part 2- General Provisions, Part 3- Specific Use Provisions and Part 4- Parking, Queuing and Loading Provisions.
- (5) Agriculture-related uses are permitted only a lot of 10 hectares or greater. (By-law 2021-222)

ME SUBZONES

214. In the ME Zone, the following subzones apply:

ME1 SUBZONE – MINERAL EXTRACTION OPERATION WITH DETACHED DWELLING

- (1) In the ME1 Subzone:
 - (a) the following are additional permitted uses:
 - one detached **dwelling**
 - home-based business**, see *Part 5, Section 127*
 - (b) Despite the regulations of Table 213, in the ME1 subzone the detached **dwelling** must provide a minimum front yard setback of 15 m and a maximum front yard setback of 45 m. The purpose of these setbacks is to ensure that the detached **dwelling** is located near the road to minimize encroachment onto potential mineral aggregate resources in order to permit mineral extraction on other portions of the lands not located in close proximity to the dwelling.

ME2 SUBZONE – MINERAL EXTRACTION OPERATION - PIT ONLY

- (2) In the ME2 Subzone the use **mineral extraction operation** shall be limited to a pit.

ME3 SUBZONE – MINERAL EXTRACTION OPERATION – PIT ONLY WITH DETACHED DWELLING

- (3) In the ME3 Subzone:
- (a) the use **mineral extraction operation** shall be limited to a pit
 - (b) the following are additional permitted uses:
 - one detached **dwelling**
 - home-based business**, see *Part 5, Section 127*
 - (c) Despite the regulations of Table 213, in the ME3 subzone the detached **dwelling** must provide a minimum front yard setback of 15 m and a maximum front yard setback of 45 m. The purpose of these setbacks is to ensure that the detached **dwelling** is located near the road to minimize encroachment onto potential mineral aggregate resources in order to permit mineral extraction on other portions of the lands not located in close proximity to the dwelling.