

**CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MARCUS HOOK, PENNSYLVANIA, v3 Updated
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XVII, General Regulations / § 196-114. Decks.**

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- A. Decks or porches located at the rear or side of a dwelling shall be placed not less than seven feet from the lot line or from the line of a common driveway or alley at the side or rear of the dwelling, which line is closest to the principal building.
- B. The deck shall be placed not less than one foot from the party wall of a twin or row dwelling. This setback is needed for access and maintenance.
- C. Decks or porches more than three feet above ground level shall adhere to the following requirements:
 - (1) Must have a hand railing not less than 36 inches high around the entire deck or porch with spindles not more than four inches apart.
 - (2) Must have a hand railing on any stairway.
- D. In an area where motor vehicles may park or drive, decks or porches shall have support posts constructed of concrete-filled steel columns which shall be at least four inches wide and fastened into footings not less than six inches wide.
- E. After a zoning permit is issued for a deck or porch, no change in plans regarding setbacks, dimensions, or heights is permissible without first receiving written permission from the Zoning Officer.
- F. Prior to constructing a deck or porch, a zoning permit must be obtained from the Zoning Officer, and a building permit must be obtained from the CEO.
- G. All materials used in the construction of a deck or porch shall comply with the most recently adopted Uniform Construction Code.