

EAC Quick Guide: Town Environmental Regulations

Welcome to the Town of Ossining!

The [Town of Ossining Environmental Advisory Committee \(EAC\)](#) advises the Town in the development, management, and protection of its natural resources. We would like to bring to your attention several important sections of Town Code to avoid possible penalties and to help protect our environment:



Tree Protection

Removing a Tree on your Property? You may need a permit. First, check the Town Code, "[Chapter 183, Tree Protection](#)".*



Wetland/Stream Protection

Do you have a seasonal or year-round stream or pond on your property? A permit is required if the placement of any ditch, pipe, culvert, etc. causes runoff to collect and/or flow into any natural waterway. Check the Town Code, "[Chapter 169, Streams and Watercourses](#)".*

Notice swampy land on your property? You may have a wetland. Check the Town Code, "[Chapter 105, Freshwater Wetlands, Watercourses and Water Body Protection](#)" before draining, dredging, excavating, etc.*



Storm Water Protection

Have questions regarding a watercourse near and around your property? Please review the Town Codes, "[Chapter 170, Storm Sewers](#)" and "[Chapter 168, Storm Water Management and Erosion and Sediment Control](#)" to keep a watercourse free from any obstacles that would contaminate or slow the flow of water to minimize pollution exposures.*



Native, Non-Invasive Plants

Planting a garden on your property? Check out the "Native Plant Resource Guide" on the [Town's EAC website](#) for some of the best environmentally friendly plants for our area!

Additional landscaping? First, make sure to check the Town's Code, "[Chapter 130, Noise](#)" if you would like to use a leaf blower or other equipment.

*Contact the Building Department at (914) 762-8419 with questions on permit requirements and applications.

Visit the EAC home page (<https://townofossining.com/cms/environmental-advisory>), [email the EAC](#) or contact Town of Ossining at (914) 762-6001 for additional information on the Town's environmental ordinances, to nominate a significant tree for protection, express environmental concerns, propose environmental policies, or volunteer your time on environmental efforts. Please scan QR code to the right for more information.

