RESIDENTIAL DRIVEWAYS AND DRIVEWAY APRONS PERMIT POLICY

This policy sets forth the procedures to install drive aprons for residential properties.

1. Only one drive apron per single-family lot is allowed unless the homeowner submits compelling evidence to the Director of Public Works to support the need for a circular driveway and/or multiple drive aprons.

2. If more than 2,000 square feet of impervious area is created with the drive apron and driveway, the homeowner must provide for SWM (i.e., monetary contribution to the regional SWM program).

3. Homeowners seeking to pave front, side or rear yards must have a drive apron.

4. Driveway must be installed such that a reasonable landing area is connected to the drive apron. Landing area shall not have an excessive slope. Driveway shall have a minimum 10-feet width according to the Rockville Zoning Ordinance. Aprons shall be a maximum of 20-feet in width.

5. The appropriate Rockville drive apron standard must be used (Standards 61, 62, 70).

6. Homeowner may participate in Rockville’s drive apron program or may obtain PWK permit to install the drive apron.
   a. Drive Apron Program - See separate document for procedures.
   b. PWK Permit –
      i. Submit a PWK application with application fee.
      ii. Submit $1,500 security (cash bond, letter of credit, or bond) for a 10-foot apron and permit fee. Wider driveway aprons will require a higher bond, which is determined on a case-by-case basis.
      iii. Submit sketch showing drive apron, driveway, and grading. Demonstrate that driveway installation will not cause drainage problems for owner’s lot or adjacent lot(s).
      iv. Drive apron shall be located to minimize impact on right-of-way trees and other improvements within the right-of-way (i.e., fire hydrants). Homeowner must relocate public improvements, at their expense, prior to installing the driveway and apron.
      v. Drive apron placement shall avoid wings that extend beyond the extended property line between residential lots.