

GREENSPACE REQUIREMENTS FOR INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENTS

Hopkinsville requires greenspace through the landscaping ordinance in the Hopkinsville Zoning Ordinance. The Zoning Ordinance also specifies that a landscaping plan is required for certain sites including all new industrial developments.

1) A landscape easement “with an average of 10 feet with a minimum of five feet” is required in:

- All side yards
- To buffer non-compatible uses (i.e. residential and commercial)
- Along the front line of all new parking lots or vehicle use areas
- Any facade or portion of a building facade not used for outdoor display, storage or loading/unloading shall be required to provide the following landscaping if the wall is visible from a public right-of-way. Blank facades shall be classified as any wall that does not have windows used for display or entry doors for employees or the general public. Buildings which are 10,000 square feet or smaller shall be exempt from the requirements of this section.

2) 5% of any new Vehicle Use Area must be landscaped.

Hopkinsville Zoning Ordinance §158.211, 158.213, 158.214

3) Stormwater detention areas are required and can be considered greenspace.

Stormwater Management Ordinance §155.06

4) Setback requirements for districts vary, but they are required and can be considered greenspace. Setbacks and detention areas are required for subdivisions.

Hopkinsville Zoning Ordinance §158.055 – 158.071