Green Lake County Zoning Districts

	Zoning District	Summarized Uses and Area Requirements		
A1	Farmland Preservation District	Agricultural Uses, Working Farms, Wisconsin DATCP Farmland Preservation Program, Open Space Preservation, Residential only if "farm" use established. For-rent storage and event barn operations by CUP using existing buildings only. Minimum 8 acres.		
A2	General Agriculture District	Agricultural Uses, Residential use (i.e. single-family dwelling) allowed in conjunction with an agricultural use. Minimum 8 acres.		
NRC	Natural Resource Conservancy District	Preservation and protection of lands contributing to environmental quality (wetlands, woodlands, scenic areas, historic sites, etc.); Non-residential buildings; Setbacks are 20ft from side lot lines. Refer to Area Standard below*.		
C1	General Commercial District	Business and commercial needs, centrally situated in a business district. Refer to Area Standard below*.		
C2	Extensive Commercial District	Business and commercial needs requiring larger areas of land, locations adjacent to highways or major thoroughfares. Refer to Area Standard below		
Ι	Industrial District	Manufacturing, industrial, and commercial; most uses require a Conditional Use Permit; suitable for facilities that may require special safeguards to shield the public from nuisance, hazards, or other undesirable conditions. Refer to Area Standard below*.		
M1	Mineral Extraction District	Conditional Use Permit required for any use: quarrying, mining, and associated activities are most common uses. Refer to Area Standard below*.		
M2	Sanitary Landfill District	Conditional Use Permit required for any use: Land fills, incinerators. Refer to Area Standard below*.		
RC	Recreation District	Recreational activities like trails, sport fields; Conditional Use Permit required for campgrounds, parks, riding stables, and resorts. Refer to Area Standard below*.		
R1	Single-Family Residence District	Single family dwellings meeting dwelling design standards; churches, schools, community centers, professional home offices; Accessory buildings may not exceed 1,500sqft with a height maximum of 25ft from ground floor to peak. Refer to Area Standard below*.		
R2	Single-Family Mobile Home Residence District	Same as R1, with additional allowance for mobile homes that do not meet dwelling design standards for other residential districts. Refer to Area Standard below*.		
R3	Multiple-Family Residence District	Dwellings for single, double (duplex), or multiple families; Tourist rooming house; Conditional Use Permit required for day cares, assisted living facilities, health care offices, and other uses compatible with low-high density residences. Minimum 1 acre.		
R4	Rural Residential District	Single family and two-family dwellings, light agricultural uses; Conditional Use Permit required for Tourist rooming houses, bed-and-breakfast establishments, communication towers, and utility lines. Minimum 3 acres, maximum 8 acres.		
AO	Adult-Oriented Establishment District	All adult-oriented establishment uses require a Conditional Use Permit; also subject to regulation under Chapter 93 and Chapter 163 Article III of the Green Lake County Code. Refer to Area Standard below [*] .		
MUN	Municipality	County Zoning does not have jurisdiction. Contact the local City or Village staff for zoning designation and authority.		
UNZ	Unzoned - Did not adopt Chapter 350	Minimum area standard for new lots is 1 acre. Towns of Kingston, Princeton, Saint Marie, and Seneca did not adopt the County Zoning Ordinance. However, lands are subject to all other federal, state, and local ordinances and requirements. Contact Department staff with questions.		

Distance	Setback from	Structure Type	Maximum Height	*Area Standard
12ft	Side Lot Lines	Residential	35ft from average grade, not exceeding 2.5 stories	All lots must be an average of at least 100ft in
10ft	Side Lot Lines (Parcels less than 85ft wide)	Accessory	25ft from ground floor to peak (garages, sheds, storage)	width and have an area of 20,000 square feet,
25ft	Rear Lot Lines	Farm buildings	No maximum (A1 and A2 non-house structures only)	unless otherwise noted above
67ft	State Highway right-of-ways	Commercial and Industrial buildings	35ft from average grade, not exceeding 2.5 stories	Contact the Green Lake County Land Use Planning and
30ft	Public road right-of-ways (Subdivision Lots)	Mobile towers	Minimum setback 1.1 times overall structure height	Zoning office at 920-294-4156 to validate this
25ft	Public road right-of-ways (Waterfront Lots)	Churches, schools, public buildings	60ft or 5 stories	information is the current reading of all applicable
40ft	Other Public road right-of-ways			ordinances and statutes. Updated 8/2024