

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
TOWN OF SHREWSBURY  
MASSACHUSETTS

## Form of Appeal

Name of Appellant: Jane Doe

Address of Appellant: 123 2nd St, Shrewsbury MA 01545

Phone: (123) 456-7890 Fax: (123) 456-7890

Email: janedoe@mail.com

Owner of Property: *(if different than appellant)* Jane Doe

Address of Owner: 123 2nd St, Shrewsbury MA 01545

Phone: (same as above) Fax: (same as above)

Email: (same as above)

Location of Subject Property: 123 2nd St, Shrewsbury MA 01545

Zoning District: RUR B Overlay Zoning District: None

*(Find link to Town Map [here](#); select layers, scroll to select Zoning)*

Tax Plate:   Plot Number:

*(Find link to Town Map [here](#); select layers, then Parcel ID)*

Application Type: *(Please check all that apply)*

Variance \_\_\_\_\_ Special Permit  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Applicable Section from Zoning Bylaw: *(Find link to Shrewsbury Zoning Bylaw [here](#))*

Section IV and Section IX

Description of Reason for Appeal:

I would like to add a deck to my house which is pre-existing nonconforming.

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The following sections **MUST** be filled out based on Application Type.

**Variance Criteria** – A variance may only be granted when all criteria are met according to MGL Chapter 40A Section 10. Appellants **MUST** state a hardship for a variance.

- A) What is the hardship that would justify the granting of a variance? A hardship can include one or more of the following: *soil conditions, shape or topography of the land or structure (s), or otherwise.*

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- B) Describe how the literal enforcement of the provisions of the zoning bylaw would involve *substantial hardship, financial or otherwise.*

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- C) Describe how a variance may be granted *without substantial detriment to the public good* **AND** how a variance may be granted *with respect to the intent or purpose of the zoning bylaw* of the Town of Shrewsbury.

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**Special Permit Criteria-** A Special Permit may only be granted when all criteria as listed in the Zoning Bylaws are met. Attach additional supporting documents as needed. Describe how the proposed use:

- A) Is in harmony with purpose and intent of bylaw
- B) Is appropriate to the location, topography and other characteristics of the site
- C) Will not have significant environmental impact and/or public health risk

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- D) Will not create a nuisance by noise, odor, smoke or vibration
- E) Will not create a nuisance by traffic generate or unsightliness
- F) Will not be detrimental to public good or neighborhood
- G) Note that certain special permits may require different criteria for approval as noted in the Zoning Bylaws

The proposed deck would meet the minimum setback requirements for my zoning district.

The porch would keep with the farmhouse style of the rest of the property and not cause unnecessary environmental or neighborhood disruption.

There would be no change to other setbacks.

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The undersigned respectfully appeals to your Board for a public hearing concerning the above matter

**\*\*All Signatures are Required for a Complete Application\*\***

Jane Doe \_\_\_\_\_ Jan 01, 2020 \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Appellant Date

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Signature of Property Owner(s) Date

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Signature of Property Owner(s) Date

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Signature of Inspector of Buildings (*Reviewed for content only*) Date