TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY
HEIGHT CERTIFICATION
For
Hillside Structures

If requested by the Town of Paradise Valley Building Official, a height certification must be presented to the Town Building inspector(s) at the structure’s roof nail and/or framing inspection. This is required to ensure that the proposed structure does not exceed the Town of Paradise Valley height limitations and to certify that the structure will not surpass the height depicted on the approved set of plans. The height certification must be signed and stamped by an engineer, land surveyor or architect registered in the State of Arizona. It must contain the following information:

1. Date of Certification
2. Name of Engineering or Land Surveying Firm
3. Name of the Contractor
4. Job Site Address
5. Permit Number

If you have any questions, please contact the Planning & Building Department at (480) 348-3692.

Article XXII. HILLSIDE DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS

Finished Grade - The final grade and elevation of the ground surface after grading is completed.
Natural Grade - The undisturbed natural surface of the land, including washes.

For development within the Hillside Development Areas, the height of structures shall be determined by the following four (4) sub-sections and not by the zoning district regulations that apply to lots or parcels outside the Hillside Development Area.

1. The height of a building or structure is limited to a twenty-four (24) foot imaginary plane that parallels the existing pre-development natural grade, as measured vertically from any point under the building (see FIGURE 5).

2. In the case where the natural grade has been cut and is not restored back against the building, no exposed face in any vertical plane shall exceed a twenty-four (24') foot height measured from the lowest, finished grade.

3. The maximum overall height of the building or structure, including chimneys and accessory buildings, shall not exceed forty (40) feet from the highest point of the building to natural grade at the lowest point adjacent to the building structure or column (see FIGURE 5).

4. Where a building spans a wash the maximum height of twenty-four (24') feet shall be measured vertically from that point where the visible structure and the side of the wash intersect.
FIGURE 5 – BUILDING HEIGHT IN HILLSIDE

Height limit defined by plane that follows slope

Pre-development natural grade
TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY
HEIGHT CERTIFICATION FOR PRIMARY BUILDING
(HILLSIDE ZONING)

(Date)

(Name of Engineering or Land Surveying Firm)

(Mailing Address of Firm)

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(Name of Contractor)

(Job Site Address) (Permit Number)

I certify that no portion of the building or structure is more than __________ feet (24 feet maximum) above the pre-development natural grade or lowest finished grade (where the predevelopment natural grade has been cut and not restored), as measured vertically from any point under the building.

I further certify that the overall height of the building or structure, including chimneys and accessory buildings, is __________ feet (40 feet maximum) from the highest point of the building to natural grade at the lowest point adjacent to the building structure or column.

(Architect/Engineer/Surveyor’s Signature)

(Architect/Engineer/Surveyor’s Stamp)
(signed, dated & expiration date)