

**ARTICLE A
PRELIMINARY SECTIONS**

9-3001 Purpose

This Ordinance regulates the uses of buildings, structures, and land for trade, industry, commerce, residence, recreation, public activities or other purposes; the size of yards, and other open spaces; the location, height, bulk, number of stories and size of buildings and other structures; the density and distribution of population; creating districts for said purposes and establishing the boundaries thereof; defining certain terms used herein; providing penalties for violations; providing for a Board of Adjustment and Planning Board and defining the duties and powers of said Boards; repealing conflicting ordinances; and for other purposes.

9-3002 Authority

The Town Council of the Town of Valdese enacts this Ordinance pursuant to the authority granted by the General Statutes of North Carolina (Chapter 160A, Article 19, Part 3).

9-3003 Short Title

This Ordinance should be known as the "Zoning Ordinance" or "Watershed Ordinance," and the map identified by the title "Official Zoning Map, Valdese, NC," may be known as the "Zoning Map" or the "Watershed Map."

9-3004 Jurisdiction

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be applicable to all property within the corporate limits of Valdese, North Carolina.

9-3005 Official Zoning Map

The districts established in Article C of this Ordinance as shown on the Official Zoning Map, together with all explanatory matter thereon, are hereby adopted as part of this Ordinance.

9-3006 Identification of Official Zoning Map

The Official Zoning Map shall be identified by the signature of the Mayor attested by the Town Clerk, and bearing the seal of the Town of Valdese. Said Map shall be retained in the office of the Planning Department of the Town of Valdese.

Sections 9-3007 through 9-3010 reserved.