

## Dune Walkovers

1. As used in this section, the following definition shall apply:

***Dune walkover.*** A raised walkway constructed for the purpose of protecting the beach and dune system between mean high tide and the construction control (CCL) line from damage that may result from anticipated pedestrian traffic to the beach, and which is no more than six (6) feet in width for multiple family/commercial/public structures, no more than four (4) feet in width for single family/two family structures, constructed without roof or walls, elevated at least one (1) foot above the dune, and extends seaward of the vegetation line.

2. Land Use Certificate.

A. A land use certificate which meets the requirements of Section 18.2, as well as the standards found herein, shall be submitted to and approved by the Zoning Administrator, or his/her designee, prior to the issuance of a building permit.

B. A recent survey showing the location, size and alignment of all proposed structures and the ADEM CCL and property lines shall be submitted along with the required land use certificate application. Said survey shall be prepared and stamped by a Professional Land Surveyor registered in the State of Alabama.

3. A dune walkover shall be constructed to the following standards:

A. There shall be no more than one (1) dune walkover per parcel.

B. Dune walkovers shall begin at the existing ground level elevation of the principal landward structure.

C. The maximum width of the dune walkover structure shall be no more than four (4) feet for single family/two family structures and no more than six (6) feet for multiple family/commercial/public structures. Maximum widths shall be applicable to all sections of the dune walkover structure, including but not limited to steps, ramps, landings and decks.

D. The minimum elevation from the bottom of floor joists of the dune walkover shall be no less than one (1) foot and no more than three (3) feet above the maximum elevation of the dune system being traversed.

- E. No vertical or horizontal structures shall be allowed above thirty-eight (38) inches from the walking surface, i.e., roofs, walls, pergolas, etc.
- F. Handrails, if any, shall be no higher than thirty-six (36) to thirty-eight (38) inches above the walking surface for Single and Two Family Dwellings.
- G. The dune walkover shall terminate ten (10) feet seaward of the vegetative line of the dune.
- H. The location and length of the dune walkover is to be coordinated through and approved by the delegated authority of the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- I. No lighting shall be utilized on a dune walkover.
- J. No dune walkover construction shall occur during the sea turtle nesting season from May 1 through November 1.