

Impervious Surface General Guidelines Lakeshore:

Excerpts taken from Minnesota DNR and Minnesota Code Enforcement

Go to the link below for the entire Minnesota DNR Information:

http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/shorelandmgmt/guide/standards_tables.html

S-1 Shoreland Management District *Purpose:*

The State Legislature of Minnesota has delegated responsibility to local governments of the State, including the City of Spicer, to regulate the subdivision, use and development of the shorelands of public waters and thus preserve and enhance the quality of surface waters, conserve the economic and natural environmental values of shorelands, and provide for the wise use of waters and regulated land resources. Those responsibilities outlined by the State are embodied in the S-1 Shoreland Management District.

Section 6: Statewide Shoreland Management Standards

Minnesota DNR statewide minimum shoreland standards apply to all lakes greater than 25 acres (10 acres in municipalities) and rivers with a drainage area two square miles or greater. These standards apply to the use and development of shoreland property including: a sanitary code, minimum lot size and water frontage, building setbacks and heights, land use, BMPs, shoreland alterations, subdivision and PUD regulations. The Shoreland Management Act regulates all land within 1,000 feet of a lake and 300 feet of a river and its designated floodplain. Upon notification by DNR Waters, local governmental units having shorelands are required to adopt these or stricter standards into their zoning ordinances.

Other general standards that apply to all shoreland lots:

- **Building Elevation** must be a minimum of 3 feet above the highest known water elevation.
- **Sewage System Elevation** must be a minimum of 3 feet above the highest groundwater level or bedrock for all lake and river classes. A conforming sewage treatment system is required for all future development and any site improvements.
- **Impervious Surfaces** are not permitted to cover more than 25 percent of the total lot.