

ARTICLE 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS

3.1 General

Definitions are in the Word and Term Definitions for Subdivision and Commercial Regulations and Zoning Ordinances for the Town of Belville, North Carolina. Except as defined in the Word and Term Definitions for Subdivision and Commercial Regulations and Zoning Ordinances, all other words used in this ordinance shall have their standard dictionary definition.

3.2 Word Interpretation

For the purpose of interpreting this ordinance, certain words and terms used are defined in this section. For general interpretation, the following shall apply in all uses and cases in this ordinance:

1. The present tense includes the future tense, and the future tense includes the present tense.
2. The singular number includes the plural number, and the plural number includes the singular number.
3. The word "may" is permissive, and the word "shall" is mandatory.
4. The word "person" includes a firm, association, organization, partnership, trust, company or corporation, as well as an individual.
5. The words "used" or "occupied" include the words "intended, designed, or arranged to be used or occupied."