Chapter 20.24 - HEIGHT MEASUREMENT AND EXCEPTIONS

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The height of a structure shall be measured as the vertical distance from the average contact ground level at the front wall of the structure to the highest point of the structure, excluding chimneys, vents and other similar projecting features. See Figure 20.24-1.



City of Merced Zoning Ordinance

20.24.020 Exceptions

A. Permitted Height Exceptions.

- 1. The following features may exceed the maximum permitted structure height in the applicable zoning district:
 - Barns, silos or other agricultural structures, provided these are 50 feet or more from any property line.
 - b. Church spires, belfries, cupolas and domes, monuments, water towers, fire and hose towers, observation towers, distribution and transmission towers, lines and poles, windmills, chimneys, smokestacks, flagpoles, radio towers, masts and aerials and other similar projecting features, provided these do not occupy an area greater than 15 percent of the building footprint area.



- c. Outdoor theater screens with no outdoor advertising matter.
- d. Places of public assembly and other permitted public and semi-public buildings, including schools and churches.



(1) Located on the first floor of the building.

(2) For each 1 foot exceeding maximum height requirement for appropriate zoning district, its side and rear yards shall be increased by 1 foot.

2. Height exceptions are not permitted within the Airport Environs (/AE) overlay zone.

