



# CITY OF TERRACE INFO SHEET

## SHIPPING CONTAINERS

### In what zones are shipping containers allowed?

- Shipping containers can be permanently placed on a property, for storage only, in any of the following zones:
  - C3 – Service Commercial
  - M1 – Light Industrial
  - M2 – Heavy Industrial
  - M3 – Resource Extraction
  - ASC – Airside Commercial
  - GSC – Groundside Commercial
  - AO – Airport Operations

### Am I allowed to have a shipping container on my residential property?

- Shipping containers are **not** permitted in residential, agriculture, institutional or downtown commercial zones, except on a temporary basis.

### Can I have a shipping container on my property on a temporary basis?

- Yes, shipping containers are allowed on a **temporary basis** in any zone with the following conditions:
  - Allowed as part of the construction of a building or structure on the same parcel.
  - Only to be used for storage related to the construction.
  - The container must be removed prior to construction completion and before occupancy permit is issued.

### What other regulations should I be aware of concerning shipping containers?

- They cannot display a logo or be used as a sign.
- The maximum height of a shipping container is 2.6 m in the C3, M1, M3, ASC, GSC and AO zones.

### How many shipping containers can I have on my property?

- A maximum of 1 on properties less than 4,000 m<sup>2</sup> and zoned C3, M1, M3, ASC or GSC.
- A maximum of 2 on properties of at least 8,000 m<sup>2</sup> and zoned C3.
- A maximum of 4 on properties of at least 8,000 m<sup>2</sup> and zoned M1, M3, ASC, AO or GSC.
- There is no limit on properties zoned M2.
- A maximum of 1 on any parcel where the shipping container is permitted on a temporary basis.

### Where on my property can a shipping container be located?

- A shipping container permitted on a temporary basis can be located anywhere on the property where construction is taking place provided it is not located on a highway (road), sidewalk or trail, does not interfere with vehicle or pedestrian movement or block traffic sightlines.
- In addition to the above, where shipping containers are permanently located, they must not be in a front yard, or in an area required for landscaping or off-street parking. They must also be placed such that they are screened from adjacent properties and rights-of-way.

