

YOUR PLANNING SERVICE

Satellite Dishes

When do
I need
permission?



EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE
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What I should know?

It is your responsibility to ensure that you get any necessary consent from the local planning authority or landlord/owner and that antennas or dishes are installed in the appropriate position.

Under the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development)(England) Order 2015, you can install antennas or dishes up to a specific size on property without the need for planning permission. This depends on your house type and area; buildings are split into four categories:

- Houses and buildings up to 15m high;
- Houses and buildings up to 15m high in designated areas;
- Buildings 15m high or more;
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What is a designated area?

Designated areas are: Conservation Areas; National Parks; Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty; The Norfolk or Suffolk Broads; and World Heritage Sites

Listed Buildings

If you live in a listed building and want to install an antenna or dish, you generally need to apply for listed building consent. You need listed building consent for any antenna or dish that is physically attached to a listed building.

Preferred Position of Antenna and Dishes



- 1. In the rear garden**
- 2. Set back on a side or rear extension**
- 3. Sited on a rear elevation below the ridge line**
- 4. Set back against a chimney stack**

Houses and Buildings up to 15m high

Unless your home is in a designated area, you do not need to apply for planning permission to install an antenna or dish on your property, provided that:

- There will be no more than two on the property overall (these can be on the front, back or roof, attached to the chimney, or in the garden);
- If you are installing one, it is not more than 100cm in any linear dimension;
- If you are installing two, one is not more than 100cm in any linear dimension, and the other is not more than 60cm in any linear dimension;
- The cubic capacity of each individual antenna or dish is not more than 35 litres;
- If fitted onto a chimney stack is not more than 60cm in any linear dimension; and

- If mounted on the roof, it only sticks out above the ridge when there is a chimney stack. In this case, it should not project more than 60cm above the highest part of the roof, or above the highest part of the chimney stack, whichever is lower.

Houses and buildings up to 15m high in designated areas

If your home is in a designated area, you do not need to apply for planning permission to install an antenna or dish on your property, as long as:

- There will be no more than two antennas or dishes on the property overall;
- If you are installing only one, it is not more than 100cm in any linear dimension;
- If you are installing two, one is not more than 100cm in any linear dimension, and the other is not more than 60cm in any linear dimension;
- The cubic capacity of each individual antenna or dish is not more than 35 litres;
- If fitted onto a chimney stack is not more than 60cm in any linear dimension;
- If mounted on the roof, it only sticks out above the roof when there is a chimney-stack. In this case, the antenna should not stick out more than 60cm above the highest part of the roof, or above the highest part of the chimney stack, whichever is lower; and
- If not installed on a chimney, wall, or a roof slope which faces onto, and is visible from, a road or a Broads waterway. (If you are not sure, get advice from the local planning authority.)

Buildings 15m high or more

Unless your building is in a designated area, you do not need to apply for planning permission to install an antenna or dish on your property, as long as:

- There will be no more than four antennas or dishes on the building overall;
- The size of any antenna or dish is not more than 130cm in any linear dimension;
- The cubic capacity of each individual antenna or dish is not more than 35 litres;
- An antenna or dish fitted onto a chimney stack is not more than 60cm in any linear dimension; and
- An antenna or dish mounted on the roof does not stick out above the roof more than 300cm above the highest part of the roof.

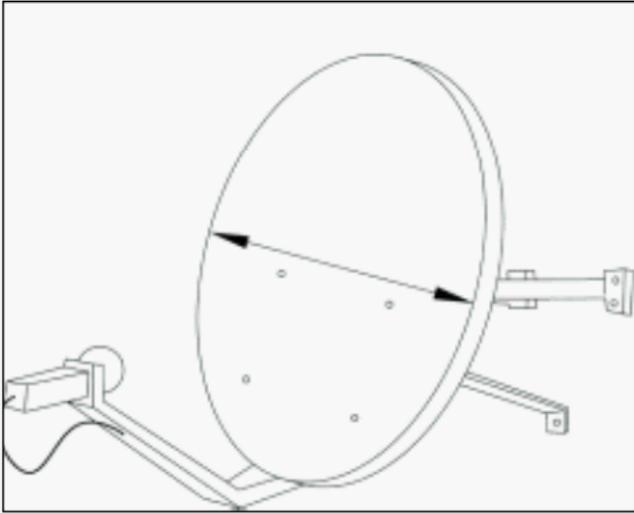
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What do you mean by Linear Dimension?

The measurement of the antenna is made in a straight line, from the edge of the antenna to the opposite edge of the antenna, as shown below. This can be in any linear direction and the measurement should only include the antenna and not any attachment needed to fix it to the wall or roof, or connect it up to your equipment.



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