

**TALL STRUCTURE ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 259 of 1959**

**259.482b Width of primary surface; length of primary surface; elevation.**

Sec. 2b. (1) Based upon the most precise approach available or planned for either end of a runway, the width of the primary surface is 1 of the following:

- (a) For a utility runway that permits only a visual approach..... 250 feet
- (b) For a utility runway that permits a nonprecision instrument approach..... 500 feet
- (c) For other than a utility runway that permits only a visual approach..... 500 feet
- (d) For other than a utility runway that permits a nonprecision instrument approach and for which the FAA has established a visibility minimum that is greater than 3/4 of a statute mile..... 500 feet
- (e) For other than a utility runway that permits a nonprecision instrument approach and for which the FAA has established a visibility minimum that is as low as 3/4 of a statute mile or less..... 1,000 feet
- (f) For a runway that permits a precision instrument approach..... 1,000 feet

(2) Based upon the type of runway surface, the length of the primary surface is 1 of the following:

- (a) For a runway with a prepared hard surface or for which there are plans for a prepared hard surface, the length of the runway plus 200 feet beyond each end of the runway.
- (b) For a runway other than a runway described in subdivision (a), the length of the runway.
- (3) The elevation of a point on a primary surface is the same as the elevation of the point on the runway's centerline nearest to the point on the primary surface.

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