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To: Howard County Homeowners  
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Subject: Pre-Manufactured Buildings and Sheds

Storage sheds are not to be used for parking automobiles and other vehicles, for the following reasons:

- 1) The Building Code requires that the floor for garages be of approved non-combustible material.
- 2) The floor used for parking of automobiles and other vehicles shall be sloped to facilitate the movement of liquids. The slope shall be towards the main vehicle entry doorway.
- 3) Elevated garage floors (floor joist and sheathing) shall be capable of supporting a 2,000-pound load applied over a 20-square inch area (4" by 5").

If you have any questions, please contact the Plan Review Division at 410-313-2436.

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