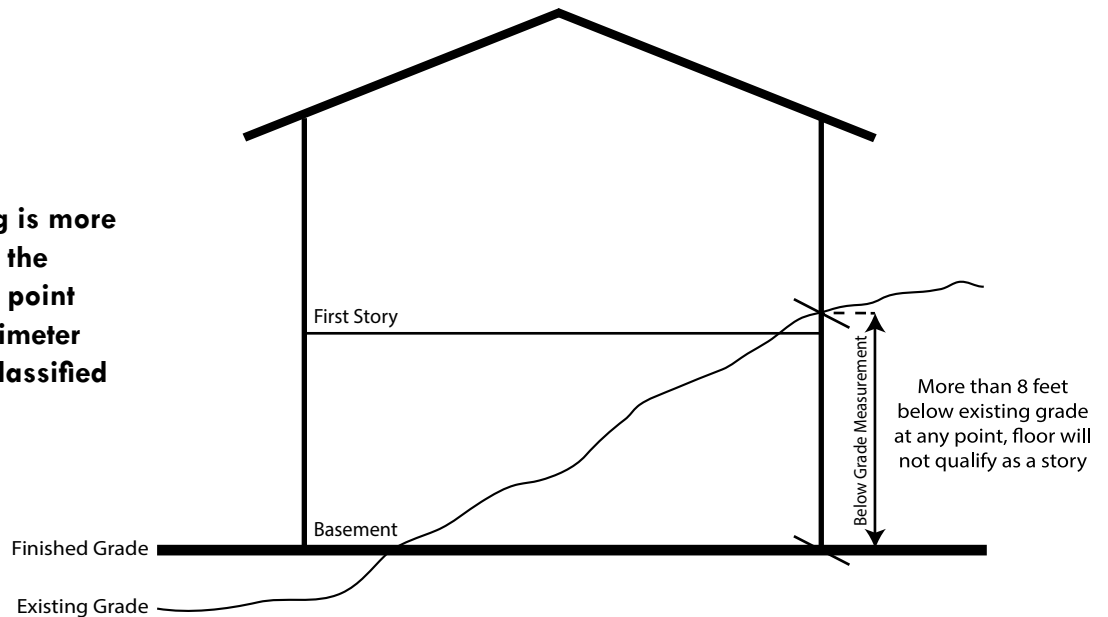


Differentiating between first story and basement levels of a building is based on three parameters for the purpose of measuring maximum structure height:

1. If the building consists of only one floor level, it is classified as a first story.

2. If a floor in a building is more than eight feet below the existing grade at any point along the outside perimeter of the building, it is classified as a basement.



3. If a floor in a building is more than four feet below the existing grade for more than 50 percent of the total outside perimeter of the building, it is classified as a basement.

