

**TITLE LXIV**  
**PLANNING AND ZONING**

**CHAPTER 673**  
**LOCAL LAND USE BOARDS**

**Establishment of Boards**

**Section 673:1**

**673:1 Establishment of Local Land Use Boards. –**

I. Any local legislative body may establish a planning board, the members of which shall be residents of the municipality.

II. Any local legislative body may establish any or all of the following: a heritage commission, a historic district commission, an agricultural commission, and a housing commission.

III. Any local legislative body may provide for the appointment of an inspector of buildings. The local legislative body may fix the compensation for any inspector who is so appointed.

IV. Every zoning ordinance adopted by a local legislative body shall include provisions for the establishment of a zoning board of adjustment. Members of the zoning board of adjustment shall be either elected or appointed, subject to the provisions of RSA 673:3.

V. Every building code adopted by a local legislative body shall include provisions for the establishment of the position of a building inspector, who shall issue building permits, and for the establishment of a building code board of appeals. If no provision is made to establish a separate building code board of appeals, the ordinance shall designate the zoning board of adjustment to act as the building code board of appeals. If there is no zoning board of adjustment, the board of selectmen shall serve as the building code board of appeals.

**Source.** 1983, 447:1. 1992, 64:5. 2007, 266:2, eff. Aug. 28, 2007. 2008, 391:2, eff. Sept. 15, 2008. 2009, 286:1, eff. Jan. 1, 2010.