

CHAPTER 32

SIGN REGULATIONS

ARTICLE I – GENERALLY

32-1-1 **GENERAL PROHIBITION.** Any sign, which is not expressly permitted in this Chapter, shall be deemed prohibited.

32-1-2 **SIGNS TO BE NON-HAZARDOUS, WELL-MAINTAINED.**

(A) No sign shall be erected, relocated or maintained so as to prevent free access or egress from any door, window, fire escape, or driveway.

(B) No sign shall be erected or maintained in such manner that it interferes with, obstructs with, obstructs the view of, or is likely to be confused with any authorized traffic control device.

(C) Every sign shall be designed and constructed in conformity with any applicable provisions of the adopted Zoning Code of the Village.

32-1-3 **PERMITTED SIGNS.**

(A) Signs shall only be permitted in non-residential areas, as follows:

- (1) Signs may only be erected and/or maintained by the person(s), corporation or other legal entity who are the owners of record of the real property upon which the billboard is located; and
- (2) Signs can only be erected and/or maintained upon the real property where the business, firm, corporation or other legal entity is located and actively doing business, or immediately adjacent property; and
- (3) Signs can only identify and/or advertise the business, firm, corporation or other legal entity, which is located and doing business upon the real property where the billboard is located, or the immediately adjacent property; and
- (4) Not more than **one (1)** single sign may be erected for any **one (1)** business, firm, entity or corporation upon any single parcel of real estate or immediately adjacent property; and
- (5) Signs shall have a maximum height of **twenty-five (25) feet** from ground level, and shall have a maximum surface area of **one hundred fifty (150) square feet** for any **one (1) side**; and
- (6) No sign may be erected or maintained which contains, includes or is otherwise illuminated by any flashing, intermittent or moving light or lights, except those giving public service information, such as time, weather, date, temperature, etc.
- (7) Signs shall comply with all federal and state rules and regulations, as may be in effect and/or promulgated, from time to time.
- (8) Existing signs erected prior to the effective date of this Code shall be permitted to remain. However, should the sign be damaged and require re-erection, it shall comply with the applicable requirements of this Code.
- (9) Signs of a public service nature, such as churches or other non-commercial organizations, are not limited to sites owned by the entities involved.
- (10) It is not the intent of this Code to restrict signs painted or attached directly to the building of a business, firm, corporation, or legal entity.

32-1-4 **UNLAWFUL SIGNS AS PUBLIC NUISANCES; REMOVAL.** Each sign declared to be unlawful and a public nuisance shall be removed or otherwise brought into compliance with this Code by the owner, without compensation, within **thirty (30) days** after receipt of notice by certified mail from the Village. Upon failure to comply with such notice within the time specified, the Village is hereby authorized to cause removal of said non-complying sign, and any expense incident thereto shall be paid by the owner of said sign.