

General Sign Regulations

- A. No sign shall project more than three feet above the roof of a building. No such sign shall be larger than fifteen square feet in area. No sign shall be hung from a building if it shall extend more than four feet from the face of the building, and there shall be a minimum of eight feet clearance from the bottom of the sign to the ground. No sign protruding out over any sidewalk may exceed ten square feet in area. Such signs are to be properly anchored and maintained, with the maximum thickness of eight inches.
- B. No signs shall be located within any street rights-of-way except signs permitted in Section 704.A. 1.
- C. Signs shall not exceed the height limit permitted in any District in which they are located.
- D. Signs shall not obstruct any window, door, fire escape, stairway or other opening intended to provide light, air, ingress or egress for any building or structure.
- E. No sign shall constitute a public safety and traffic hazard, such as by obstructing traffic signs, road warning signs, street name signs, or the full view of the traffic in all directions. Lighting devices shall be shielded so they do not shine directly into a public street or highway or into a residential district.
- F. All signs except temporary signs shall be constructed of durable material and kept in good condition and repair. Whenever, in the opinion of the Zoning Administrator, a sign becomes structurally unsafe or endangers the safety of a building or premises or the public safety, the Zoning Administrator shall order that such sign be made safe or be removed. Such order shall be complied with within five days of receipt thereof by the person, firm or corporation owning or using the sign or the owners of the building or premises on which such unsafe sign is affixed or erected.
- G. Nonconforming signs, once removed, shall be replaced only with conforming signs; however, nonconforming signs if not removed may be repaired or repainted, provided that such repainted or repaired sign does not exceed the dimensions of the existing sign, and provided no change is made in the general wording or content of the sign.
- H. No sign advertising a business or commercial enterprise shall remain on any property, building, or structure, within the Town of Mountain Lake Park, after the commercial enterprise or business has ceased to exist. The owner of such property upon which such sign remains shall remove said sign within thirty days of the closing of such business. In the event that such sign is not

removed, the Town of Mountain Lake Park shall have the right to remove such sign, and assess the cost thereof against the owner of the property upon which such sign is located.

- I. No sign of any kind shall be posted on any traffic control device, utility pole, street light, U.S. Mail box or, any other utility structure not owned by the owner of the property upon which it sits or to which it is adjacent. In the event that any such sign is so posted, the Mayor and Town Council, or its designee, may remove and dispose such sign. Signs and messages legitimately attached to or made part of any traffic control device, utility pole, street light, U.S. Mail box or other utility structure by the owner or operator of same are exempted from this Section.
- J. No sign shall be erected or maintained which contains any vulgar or profane language nor shall any sign contain any direct insult or fighting words directed at any identifiable person or group. In the event that such sign is erected or maintained, the Zoning Administrator shall immediately upon becoming aware of the existence of said sign give, the owner of the property on which the sign is erected or maintained notice to remove the sign immediately. In the event the sign is not immediately removed, the Town may, in addition to the imposition of property, remove the sign and dispose of it as it sees fit, and assess any costs thereof to the property owner. Any such costs so assessed shall be collectible as any other Town assessment or tax.
- K. LED, LCD, Scrolling Message, and Single Message Electronic signs are not permitted in any zoning district except for public safety purposes.