

ARTICLE 2: DEFINITIONS (Additions to current list)

LIGHT POLLUTION

Section 2.18 Man-made light which illuminates the nighttime sky.

LIGHT TRESPASS

Section 2.19 Man-made light which shines, directly or indirectly, from one property onto another.

ARTICLE 5: SIGNS AND OUTDOOR LIGHTING

Section 5.0 No signs or advertising devices of any kind or nature shall be erected on any premises or affixed to the outside of any structure or be visible from the outside of any structure except as specifically permitted in this Section.

PERMITTED USES

- Section 5.1
- A. No more than one sign on a lot which shall not exceed a total area of three (3) square feet for identification of the property or place or the nature of any accessory use of a dwelling or accessory building.
 - B. No more than one sign for directional purposes in connection with any one lot, which sign shall not exceed a total of three (3) square feet.
 - C. No more than one "For Sale" or "For Rent" sign on a lot, which sign shall not exceed three (3) square feet.
 - D. Legal notices posted in a designated area for the posting of such notices.

SIGNS FOR WHICH A SPECIAL PERMIT MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE PLANNING BOARD

Section 5.2 Not more than two signs on a lot identifying any permitted business or trade, only one of which may be free standing and located near the road, which sign shall not exceed three (3) square feet in area and only one of which may be attached to the building or structure used in connection with the business or trade and not exceeding six (6) square feet in area.

PROHIBITED USES:

- Section 5.3
- A. No neon, internally illuminated, flashing, occulting or moving signs shall be allowed.
 - B. No sign shall be illuminated in any manner other than by stationary, top-mounted, white lights pointed downward and shielded to prevent glare and to avoid light trespass on roads and nearby residential properties. Illumination of outdoor signs between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and sunrise is prohibited.
 - C. No portion of any sign shall be located more than ten feet above the ground.
 - D. No sign not appurtenant to the premises to which the sign directs attention shall be allowed.

SIGNS IN EXISTENCE

Section 5.4 Non-conforming business signs in existence at the time of adoption of this bylaw shall be allowed to continue in place for the duration of the business or trade connected with said signs.

OUTDOOR LIGHTING. PURPOSE

Section 5.5 In order to preserve and maintain the rural character of Chilmark, including the unique quality of the nighttime sky, this bylaw is intended to apply to new lighting installed after its passage; it is also intended to: