

**CHAPTER 12  
OUTDOOR LIGHTING**

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### OUTDOOR LIGHTING CODE

**12.01 PURPOSE AND INTENT.** This Outdoor Lighting Code is intended to create standards for commercial outdoor lighting so that its use does not unreasonably interfere with the enjoyment of adjacent property by owners or occupants or with astronomical observations and to promote energy conservation without jeopardizing safety, utility, security and productivity. The purpose of this code is to minimize light pollution which has a detrimental effect on the night sky environment, interferes with the enjoyment of the night sky and causes unnecessary or unreasonable illumination of adjacent properties through lighting practices that direct appropriate amounts of light where and when needed, increasing the use of energy-efficient sources and decreasing the wastage of light and glare resulting from over-lighting and poorly shielded or inappropriately directed lighting fixtures.

**12.02 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.** Any commercial outdoor light fixtures installed or replaced after the affective date of this Outdoor Lighting Code shall comply with the following:

- 1) All Commercial lighting shall be full cut off.
- 2) Outdoor lighting shall not exceed 16 feet in height. Public streetlight poles and standards are exempt from this height requirement.
- 3) At the time of any changes in an existing business which brings it before Architectural Review all existing lighting must be full cut off. [Amended per Ordinance #148, 2004.]

**12.03 VARIANCES.** Variances from the provisions of this Code may be granted by the Town Board in accordance with 15.05 of the Town Code of Ordinances.

**12.04 PENALTY.** Any person who violates any provision of this Code individually or through his, her or its agents or employees, shall upon conviction of such violation be subject to a penalty of not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50) and not more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) together with the costs of prosecution and required penalty assessments and fees. Each day that a violation shall exist shall be considered a separate and distinct offense.

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