

## **Section 8**

### **SIGN REGULATIONS**

#### **8.1 PERMITTED SIGNS**

The following signs shall be permitted by right in the designated zones, except that flashing, blinking, animated or roof signs shall not be permitted in any zone. All signs erected in a public right-of-way by a public agency responsible for controlling or directing traffic shall be exempt from the provisions of this Section.

A. On-site signs advertising goods and/or services for sale or rent shall not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in size and shall not extend more than five (5) feet beyond the exterior wall to which they are attached. Limit is two surfaces per business. Any surface of a structure advertising business, goods and/or services shall be considered a sign.

B. Real estate signs located on property advertising the property for sale, lease or rent shall not exceed two (2) feet by three (3) feet each in size and shall be spaced no closer together than three hundred (300) feet. Properties occupying a corner lot may have one (1) sign on each street.

C. Signs posted on properties indicating warnings or prohibitions on hunting, fishing or trespassing shall not exceed two hundred fifty (250) square inches each in size.

D. Signs for the purpose of directing persons to public, commercial or cultural facilities shall be installed and maintained by the entity requiring such sign. Such signs shall be erected on public property and shall conform to a distinctive standard design acceptable to the County Commissioners.

E. Signs for the purpose of identifying subdivisions may be posted at the main entrance of subdivisions of 3 or more lots to direct the public and emergency response. Each such sign will be required to meet the following criteria: 1) located to be easily visible from the main road from a distance of 100 feet, 2) setback off of roadways to prevent obstructing views at intersections and to allow use of established right-of-ways for utilities, and road maintenance, 3) constructed of materials that are consistent with the natural surroundings, 4) indirect night lighting may be allowed with low wattage light sources that are not visible or create a traffic hazard, 5) maximum sign area shall be 32 square feet on one or both sides and located no higher than 20 feet above ground level, 6) sign support shall compliment the overall sign theme and constructed to stand typical weather conditions including winds.

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F. House number signs shall have lettering at least 2 inches high and be of a

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block style, preferably painted with reflective paint and readable for a distance of 100 feet. House number signs will not be lower than three feet or higher than seven feet and located on the right side of the driveway (unless space does not permit). Signs shall be located off the roadway only far enough to not obstruct utility easements and road maintenance.

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G. Each approved subdivision shall be required to erect road signs which meet the following criteria: Road signs shall have block style lettering at least two inches high and preferably be painted with reflective paint that can be read from at least 100 feet. Signs at intersections shall be placed at the northeasterly corner or northwest corner if not a four-way intersection. Sign setback will be a minimum of five feet off the driven road surface but not more than 15 feet. Location of utilities shall be considered in sign placement. Signs within a subdivision or throughout an area shall have a common design. Sign height will not be higher than 7 feet or lower than 5 feet above the driving surface of the road.

## 8.2 SIGN MAINTENANCE

A. All signs shall be maintained and kept in good repair by the owner of the property on which the sign is erected.

B. All signs erected on public property shall be maintained and kept in good repair by the entity requiring such sign.

C. If a sign is found to be in bad repair, the owner or entity requiring such sign shall be given written notice by the County to repair or remove the sign within thirty (30) days. If such sign is not repaired or removed within thirty (30) days, the County will remove the sign at the expense of the owner or entity requiring such sign.