

Village of Groton, N.Y.

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APPLICATION FOR SIGN

Name of Applicant: _____

Address of Applicant: _____

Telephone #: _____

1). Location of building or land upon which this sign is to be erected:

2). Show by sketch plan, the location of the building structure and the location of proposed sign, giving measurements.

3). Attach hereto consent of owner of building or land upon which is to be erected.

4). Fee of \$25.00 must accompany application.

Approved: _____ Disapproved: _____

Village Code Enforcement Officer: _____

Date: _____

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§ 200-55. Intent.

The intent and purpose of this article is to establish specifications for the erection and maintenance of signs in the Village of Groton which will permit proper identification, preserve and enhance the visual character and quality of the area and prevent installations which are particularly distracting and hazardous to vehicular traffic.

§ 200-56. General requirements. [Amended 9-19-1994 by L.L. No. 7-1994]

In general and unless otherwise specified in this article, signs shall be located on the premises they advertise and shall be nonflashing and nonilluminated. Except in High-Intensity Areas, no sign shall be located closer than 10 feet to any road right-of-way line. This provision shall not apply to those signs needed for public safety and traffic control.

§ 200-57. Special requirements for various uses. [Amended 12-10-1990 by L.L. No. 10-1990; 9-19-1994 by L.L. No. 7-1994]

Unless otherwise specified elsewhere in this chapter, all land use activities set forth in Schedule II of this chapter, EN including those uses permitted by variance and special permit, may provide for signs when such signs are in accordance with the following specifications:

- A. Official signs and signs required by law: permitted as required and may be illuminated and flashing.
- B. Temporary construction signs: shall not exceed one in number and 32 square feet in area. Such signs shall be removed after construction has been completed.
- C. Multifamily dwelling, townhouse, rooming house, tourist home, bed-and-breakfast facility and similar residential use: shall not exceed one in number and four square feet in area.
- D. Professional office, studio, funeral home and similar use: shall not exceed one in number and four square feet in area.
- E. Home occupation: shall not exceed one in number and four square feet in area.
- F. Retail and personal service business, indoor recreation activity, eating and drinking establishment, hotel/motel, convenience mart, gasoline station and similar land use:
 - (1) Identification signs(s) may be one of the following alternatives:
 - (a) One freestanding sign not exceeding 25 square feet in area;

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(b) One freestanding and one projecting or wall sign, the aggregate area of which shall not exceed 32 square feet. Neither sign shall exceed an area of 20 square feet, and no sign shall project more than four feet from the wall that supports it; or

(c) One wall sign which does not exceed 10% of the area of the wall on which it is placed and which does not project above the highest point of the roof of the building.

(2) Such signs may be illuminated but shall be nonflashing.

G. Printing, welding, plumbing, heating and similar small-scale service activities: shall not exceed one in number and 20 square feet in area. Such signs may be illuminated but shall be nonflashing.

H. New and used automobile sales, building supply yard, warehouse and similar large-scale sales and service activities: shall not exceed two in number the aggregate area of which shall not exceed 50 square feet. Such signs may be illuminated but shall be nonflashing.

I. For all other nonresidential uses: shall not exceed one in number and 20 square feet in area. Such signs may be illuminated but shall be nonflashing.

J. Billboards: not permitted.

§ 200-58. Signs distracting vehicular traffic prohibited.

No sign shall be permitted or installed which, by its design, would be distracting or hazardous to vehicular traffic.

§ 200-59. Height restrictions.

No sign shall be higher than two times the overall height of the building it is identifying or 25 feet from the ground, whichever is more restrictive.

§ 200-60. Area of irregularly shaped signs.

If a sign is irregular in shape or consists of independent, detached letters or symbols, the area of said sign shall be determined by measuring the area within a polygon completely enclosing the sign or enclosing such independent letters or symbols as they are intended to be installed.

§ 200-61. Area of signs with more than one side.

In determining the permissible area of any sign, only one side of a two- or three-sided sign need be measured