

Lighting

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~~(1)(a)~~ Policy

Unrestricted lighting in the lakeshore protection zone can be distracting, hazardous to navigation, negatively affect fish and wildlife species and habitats, and contribute contributory to an unnatural setting.

~~(2)(b)~~ Standards

- (a) The placement or installation of lighting within the lakeshore protection zone which conforms to standards (d)-(j) does not require a lakeshore construction permit.
- (b) Excavation of any material within the lakeshore protection zone for the installation of electrical lines requires a lakeshore construction permit.
- (c) The placement or installation of lighting which does **not** conform to standards (d) – (j) **may** be allowed by approval of a conditional use permit upon a showing of special circumstances affecting safety, security, or general public interest.
- (d) Lighting in the lakeshore protection zone is limited to those areas where it is needed for safety, security, and operational purposes. Where feasible, exterior lighting installations shall include timers, dimmers or sensors to eliminate unneeded lighting in the lakeshore protection zone.
- (e) All lighting shall be designed to reflect light away from abutting or adjacent properties, ~~and the lakeshore protection zone.~~
- (f) All lighting shall be downward pointed and side-shielded to prevent glare beyond property and/or riparian boundary lines. All lighting shall be shielded so the bulb is not visible from adjacent properties. Solar-powered, LED, or similar low-intensity pathway and/or dock lights are not required to be side-shielded, provided they are within one foot of ground or dock level and only illuminate the pathway and/or dock surface(s).
- (g) Automatically or continually flashing or rotating lights are prohibited.

- (h) Interior light fixtures located inside a boathouse or enclosed structure and intended to illuminate its interior are permitted. Interior light fixtures located inside a boat shelter and intended to illuminate its interior for the purposes of temporary boat loading and unloading are permitted.
- (i) Exterior light fixtures located within the land portion of the lakeshore protection zone shall not exceed 12 feet above the adjacent ground surface.
- (j) Exterior light fixtures mounted on a dock or a boat shelter located over the lake shall be mounted at or near dock level. In no case shall a light fixture over the water be located higher than 12 feet above the mean annual high water elevation. Light fixtures shall be designed to prevent light from spilling onto the water.