

SIGN ORDINANCE - ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD SECTION

(e) Signs on historic properties – Signs on individual historic properties listed on the Local Register of Historic Places or properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places within the Special Character Districts are subject to the requirements of this section. Before receiving a permit, or, if the sign does not require a permit, before installing the sign, the architectural review board or its designee shall review and approve the design signs on such individual historic properties pursuant to the certificate of appropriateness procedures in Chapter 10 of this Code. The architectural review board or its designee shall review such signs under the following standards, which shall apply to all signs installed pursuant to this section:

(1) Signs shall not obscure significant features of the architecture of historic buildings;

(2) Attachment of signs shall not cause damage to the historic building fabric;

(3) The materials, colors, and style, and character original to the building or typical of the building type of a historic structure shall be used in the design of new signs;

(4) A sign on a historic property of a type that did not originally include a sign, such as a house adapted to commercial use, shall be of materials, colors, style, and character that are compatible with the architecture of the historic structure;

[5] Electronic reader board signs shall not be permitted on historic properties or historic structures.