

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 1-2004

Addition of Chapter to Code of the Town of Lake George

(Buildings, Numbering Of)

Legislative Intent

In order to facilitate the location of buildings along various roads and streets by fire, police, and other emergency services, and to facilitate the reporting of emergencies and dispatching of emergency vehicles and personnel under the County 911 system, the Town Board does hereby deem the enumeration of all buildings and properties to be of major importance in the interest of public health and safety. In order to effectuate the efficient and accurate enumeration of buildings, the Town Board hereby enacts this chapter.

Determination of Buildings to be Numbered

Any single-family, two-family, or any multiple-family residence, and any non-residential establishment, whether public, private, or nonprofit, to which a separate street address number has been assigned shall display this number. This shall be displayed on the primary building and shall not include any accessory building.

Size and Display

- A. The numbers and/or letters shall be at least three (3) inches high and located either on or immediately adjoining the main entrance door or on a mail box or a separate sign post located close to the curb when such building is located more than fifty (50) feet from the road.
- B. The color of the numbers and/or letters shall be in sharp contrast to the color of the background.
- C. The numbers and/or letters shall be placed so that they will not be obstructed by trees, shrubbery, porches, or other extensions of the building, shoveled or plowed snow, and can be clearly visible from the street.
- D. Whenever practical, the figures should be placed near some source of light or illumination so they may be readily seen at night.
- E. Any property assigned a single address with multiple units shall prominently display the number or letter of each unit either on or immediately adjoining the unit's main entrance. Such numbering or lettering shall be clearly visible from a distance of ten (10) feet.

Display of Other Numbers Prohibited

The display of any other house number other than the number authorized or assigned by a Local government Official is expressly prohibited.

Non-compliance: Notice; Remedy; Costs.

- A. Non-compliance deemed a violation. Any person, corporation, partnership, or other entity owning a building within the Town of Lake George refusing or neglecting for 60 days after notice from the Code Enforcement Officer to place the proper designation number on said building shall be deemed in violation of this chapter.
- B. Service of Notice. The notice provided for in Subsection A may be given by personal service or by mailing a copy of thereof to the last known address of the owner as shown on the last assessment roll on file in the Assessor's Office.
- C. Number of building by Town. In the event of neglect or refusal of any owner, after notice, to cause said building to be properly numbered, the Code Enforcement Officer of the Town of Lake George may cause the building to be properly numbered.
- D. Report; assessment of cost. The Code Enforcement Officer shall report the cost of numbering to the Town Board, and such Board shall order said cost assessed as a lien against the owner of the property and collected in the same manner as other Town taxes.

Penalties of Offenses

Any person, corporation, partnership, or other entity violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction, be punishable by a fine not to exceed \$250.00. Each calendar week or portion thereof that said violation continues shall be deemed as separate violation.

When Effective

This local law shall take effect immediately upon receipt of the official acknowledgement from the Office of the Secretary of the State of New York that this law has been filed with said office, as provided in §27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.