



Zoning Resolution

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122-20 - SPECIAL SIGN REGULATIONS

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In order to enhance the visual quality of the Special District, the applicable #sign# regulations of the underlying districts are modified, as follows:

- (a) Within the Limited Commercial Areas, only one #sign#, other than an #advertising sign#, with a surface area not exceeding 12 square feet, shall be permitted per #commercial# #use#. Such #signs# shall be located in a #sign band#, on the flap of a canopy, or as allowed under paragraph (d) of this Section. The height of such #signs# shall be not more than 24 inches and the letter sizes shall be restricted to a height of 12 inches. Except as provided in paragraph (d), all such #signs# may not project from the vertical surface of a #building# more than 18 inches.
- (b) Within the Commercial Extension Areas, no #signs# and no #display windows# shall be permitted on a #building or other structure# within 50 feet of the Grand Concourse. #Commercial# #uses# which are located on a cross-street beyond a distance of 50 feet from the Grand Concourse #street line#, shall comply with the #sign# regulations applicable to the underlying #Commercial District#.
- (c) On Commercial Infill Sites, the maximum surface area to be occupied by a #sign#, other than an #advertising sign#, shall be three square feet for every five feet of store frontage or 12 square feet, whichever is greater. Such #signs# shall be located in a #sign band# or on the flap of a canopy, or as allowed under paragraph (d). On portions of Commercial Infill Sites more than 50 feet from the Grand Concourse, the signage regulations of a C1 District shall apply.
- (d) Except in C1 Districts, no #sign# may be located so as to obscure any decorative lintel, cornice or other architectural detail. In the event that compliance with this requirement does not

provide adequate surface area for the allowable #sign#, as defined in paragraph (a) of this Section, a projecting #sign# may be permitted by the Commissioner of Buildings provided that no such #sign# shall project from the vertical surface of a #building# more than 18 inches.

- (e) Except in C1 Districts, no banners, pennants, #flashing# or #illuminated signs# shall be permitted anywhere within the Special District. In addition, within Commercial Infill Sites north of the Cross Bronx Expressway, as shown on the map in Appendix A of this Chapter, #signs with indirect illumination# shall be permitted on the Grand Concourse #street# frontage of a #building#.
- (f) Within the Limited Commercial Areas, Commercial Infill Sites, and Commercial Extension Areas within 50 feet of the Grand Concourse, window graphics shall occupy not more than 20 percent of a window. Display lettering more than three inches high shall be considered as a #sign#.
- (g) All lawfully existing #non-conforming# #signs# located within the Special District shall be terminated one year after September 28, 1989.