

SOUTH NEW CASTLE BOROUGH

ADDRESSING ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 2 OF 2019

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the South New Castle Borough Council, Lawrence County, Pennsylvania as follows:

SECTION ONE - INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

A. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Borough Addressing Ordinance is to establish standards for assigning numbers to all dwellings, principal buildings, businesses and industries; and to assist emergency service agencies, the United States Postal Service and the public in the timely and efficient provision of services to residents and businesses of South New Castle Borough.

SECTION TWO - REQUIREMENTS

A. RESPONSIBILITY FOR DISPLAY OF ADDRESS NUMBERS

It shall be the responsibility of each and every property owner, trustee, lessee, agent and occupant of each residence, apartment building, business or industry within the Borough to purchase, post and maintain address numbers as required under this Ordinance at all times.

It shall be the duty of the above mentioned, upon affixing a new address number, to remove any conflicting number.

It shall be unlawful to cover any address number with any sign, drapery, or other obstruction tending to conceal such number.

B. SIZE AND LOCATION OF STREET ADDRESS NUMBERS

1. Residences, Townhouses and Businesses

It shall be the duty of each and every property owner, trustee, lessee, agent and occupant of each residence, apartment building or business to display the assigned address number according to the guidelines set forth herein. The address number shall be made up of numbers and/or letters which are not less than four inches in height, contrasting in color with the background on which they are affixed, as near to the front entrance as possible and practical, so that the number is legible from the sidewalk (if any), the road and the opposite side of the street day or night.

2. Private Lane and Long Driveways

If any residence, apartment building or business (except malls or shopping centers) is located so that the address number is not clearly visible from the street, an additional address number shall be posted at the intersection of the driveway with the public street. The additional address number shall be made up of numbers and/or letters which are not less than four inches in height, contrasting in color with the background on which they are affixed, visible day or night, and placed upon a post or other structure which displays the number at least forty-eight inches above the ground. The property owner is responsible for the installation of these additional sets of address identifiers.

3. Industrial and Commercial Structures in Low Density Areas

All industrial and commercial structures located in low density development areas, (areas in which small residential style address numbers are not visible from the road), shall display address numbers of not less than ten inches in height. The number shall contrast in color with the background on which it is affixed and shall be visible day or night, from the street. When possible, the number shall be displayed beside or over the main entrance of the structure.

4. Apartment Buildings and High-rises

All apartment buildings and high-rises shall display address numbers above or to the side of the primary entrance to the building. Address numbers shall contrast with the color of the background to which they are affixed and shall be at least six inches in height to be visible day or night from the opposite side of the street facing the main entrance.

Apartment numbers for individual units within the complex shall be displayed on, above, or to the side of the doorway of each unit.

C. NOTICE TO COMPLY

Borough officials are authorized to enter upon private property for the purposes of inspection and to give notice by personal service or by certified mail to persons in violation of this Ordinance directing them to abate the situation within thirty (30) days after issuance of such notice.

SECTION THREE - ENFORCEMENT

Whenever the Borough has reason to believe that there has been a violation of any provision of this Ordinance, the Borough Council, or its designee, shall provide notice of said violation in writing to the person or party failing to comply.

If such person or party fails to comply with the duly issued notice and order, the Borough Council or its designee, shall initiate necessary enforcement actions to

terminate the violation through civil measures as authorized under Section 3321 of the Borough Code. 8 Pa. C.S. § 3321.

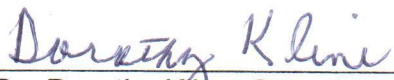
Civil penalties may imposed for violation of this Ordinance, not to exceed six hundred dollars (\$600) per violation, as well as court costs and reasonable attorney's fees. A separate violation shall arise for each day of violation and for each violation of an applicable section of the Ordinance. If the penalty is not paid, the borough shall initiate a civil action for collection in accordance with the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure. The borough shall be exempt from the payment of costs in an action under this paragraph.

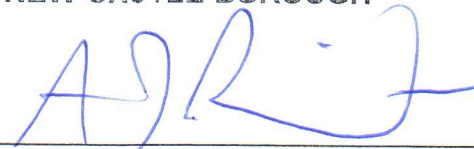
SECTION FOUR – EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon being duly adopted.

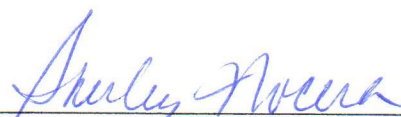
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SOUTH NEW CASTLE BOROUGH


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