

Remington Park HOA Holiday Lighting Policy

Currently RP CCR's require all exterior lights to be approved by the ARA prior to installation⁽¹⁾

The purpose of this policy is to 1) specify how and when holiday lighting can be displayed and 2) specify the guidelines for temporary and permanent holiday light installations.

- ARA approval is not needed for Temporary Holiday Lighting (lights that are installed for specific holidays and then removed)
- ARA approval is required for all Permanent Holiday Lighting installations, extending greater than 90 days (specially designed lights that are permanently mounted and turned on/off for holidays)
- Both Temporary and Permanent holiday lighting must adhere to the guidelines listed in the following Holiday Lighting section

I. Holiday Lighting

1) Use of exterior holiday lighting, temporarily or permanently installed, is allowed for commonly observed holidays for which such lights are traditionally displayed.

2) Installation Timing

Christmas:

- Lights may be installed starting in late October/early November to accommodate professional installation company scheduling
- Lights may be turned on no earlier than one week before Thanksgiving and must be turned off one week after New Year's Day
- Lights must be removed by Jan. 31, following the Christmas holiday.

All other holidays:

- Temporary lights may be installed no more than 6 weeks prior to the holiday and must be removed within two weeks after the holiday.
- Holiday lights may be turned on no earlier than 6 weeks before the holiday and must be turned off one week after the holiday

4) Roof-Anchored Displays are prohibited due to safety concerns. These decorations can blow away if not anchored correctly, which creates a danger for the neighborhood

5) Location: Exterior holiday lights are allowed anywhere on a resident's home, fence, driveway, and landscape as long as it does not violate rule #6.

6) Excessive Light and Noise Restrictions

- a) Noise emitting displays are allowed as long as the volume does not exceed 60 dB (conversation level) from the nearest neighbor's home or public space (sidewalk or street)
- b) Holiday lights shall be installed so that they do not shine into neighbors' homes

7) Timing

Dark/Quiet hours are to be observed from 11 pm to 7 a.m. All Holiday lights and noise emitting devices shall be off during this time.

8) Decency

Holiday decorations shall not be offensive or inappropriate. Any disrespectful, derogatory, violent, or inappropriate decorations are explicitly banned.

II. Permanent Installation

Permanent holiday light installations are a new technology that utilizes LED lights discretely installed so they are not visible until they are turned on.

Guidelines for Approved permanent installations:

- 1) Lights and installation method should be professional design/appearance and not DIY
 - a) Permanently mounted roof line or window incandescent bulbs are not permitted
 - b) Permanently mounted rope lights are not permitted
- 2) Installation work should be done by experienced and insured contractors.
- 3) Lights shall be encased in a track that matches the color on the house trim so they are barely visible in daytime from the street
- 4) All wiring shall be hidden from view
- 5) Light bulbs shall be minimally visible from the street. Bulbs should protrude downward and not point or shine into a neighbor's yard.
- 6) As with temporary lights, no permanent holiday lights shall be installed that would shine into neighbors' homes.

1) Section 9.18 from CCR's.

Exterior Lighting. No exterior light, including landscape lighting, shall be installed or maintained on any Lot without the prior written approval of the Architectural Control Committee. Further, and notwithstanding such prior written approval, upon being given notice by the Architectural Control Committee that any exterior light is objectionable, the Owner of the Lot on which same is located will immediately remove said light or shield the same in such a way that it is no longer objectionable.