

TOWNSHIP OF ARGENTINE
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ZONING ORDINANCE



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GROSS FLOOR AREA (IN SQUARE FEET)	LOADING AND UNLOADING SPACE REQUIRED
0 - 1,400	None
1,401 - 20,000	One (1) space
20,001 - 100,000	One (1) space plus one (1) space for each twenty thousand (20,000) square feet in excess of twenty thousand and one (20,001) square feet
100,001 and over	Five (5) spaces

- .03 All loading and unloading in a Manufacturing Districts shall be provided off-street in the rear yard or interior side yard, and shall in no instance be permitted in a front yard. In those instances where exterior side yards have a common relationship with an industrial district across a public thoroughfare, loading and unloading may take place in said exterior side yard when the setback is equal to at least fifty (50) feet.

SECTION 17.08 PLANT MATERIALS

Whenever in this Ordinance a greenbelt or planting is required, it shall be planted within six (6) months from the date of issuance of a certificate of occupancy and shall thereafter be reasonably maintained with permanent plant materials to provide a screen to abutting properties. Suitable materials equal in characteristics to the plant materials listed with the spacing as required shall be provided.

- .01 PLANT MATERIAL SPACING:
- a. Plant materials shall not be placed closer than four (4) feet from the fence line or property line.
 - b. Where plant materials are placed in two (2) or more rows, planting shall be staggered in rows.
 - c. Evergreen trees shall be planted not more than thirty (30) feet on centers, and shall be not less than three (3) feet in height.
 - d. Narrow evergreens shall be planted not more than six (6) feet on centers, and shall be not less than three (3) feet in height.
 - e. Tree-like shrubs shall be planted not more than ten (10) feet on centers, and shall be not less than four (4) feet in height.
 - f. Large deciduous shrubs shall be planted not more than four (4) feet on centers, and shall not be less than six (6) feet in height.

- g. Large deciduous trees shall be planted not more than thirty (30) feet on centers, and shall be not less than eight (8) feet in height.

SUGGESTED PLANT MATERIALS

- (1) **EVERGREEN TREES**
Minimum three (3) feet in height
 - * Juniper
 - * Fir
 - * Spruce
 - * Hemlock
 - * Pine
 - * Douglas-Fir

- (2) **NARROW EVERGREENS**
Minimum three (3) feet in height
 - * Column Hinoki Cypress
 - * Blue Columnar Chinese Juniper
 - * Pyramidal Red-Cedar
 - * Swiss Stone Pine
 - * Pyramidal White Pine
 - * Irish Yew
 - * Douglas Arborvitae
 - * Columnar Giant Arborvitae

- (3) **TREE-LIKE SHRUBS**
Minimum four (4) feet in height
 - * Flowering Crab
 - * Mountain Ash
 - * Redbud
 - * Hornbeam
 - * Magnolia
 - * Dogwood
 - * Rose of Sharon
 - * Hawthorn

- (4) **LARGE DECIDUOUS SHRUBS**
Minimum six (6) feet in height
 - * Mock-Orange
 - * Lilac
 - * Cotoneaster
 - * Euonymus
 - * Viburnum
 - * Forsythia
 - * Ninebark

- * Hazelnut
- * Privet
- * Sumac

(5) LARGE DECIDUOUS TREES
Minimum eight (8) feet in height

- * Oak
- * Hackberry
- * Planetree (sycamore)
- * Ginkgo
- * Sweet-Gum
- * Linden
- * Hard Maple
- * Birch
- * Beech
- * Honey locust
- * Hop Hornbeam

.02 TREES NOT PERMITTED:

- * Box Elder
- * Soft Maples (Red-Silver)
- * Elms
- * Poplars
- * Willows
- * Horse Chestnut (Nut bearing)
- * Tree of Heaven
- * Catalpa
- * Ash

SECTION 17.09 EXTERIOR LIGHTING

- .01 All outdoor lighting in all use districts used to light the general area of a specific site shall be shielded to reduce glare and shall be so arranged as to reflect lights away from all adjacent residential districts or adjacent residences.
- .02 All outdoor lighting in all use districts shall be directed toward and confined to the ground areas of lawns or parking lots.
- .03 All lighting in nonresidential districts used for the external illumination of buildings, so as to feature said buildings, shall be placed and shielded so as not to interfere with the vision of persons on adjacent highways or adjacent property.