

**(Compliance Checklist – the Full Ordinance can be found on the Valley County website.)**

**OUTDOOR LIGHTING**

**PURPOSE:** The general purpose is to protect and promote the public health, safety and welfare, the quality of life, and the ability to view the night sky, by establishing regulations and a process for review of exterior lighting.

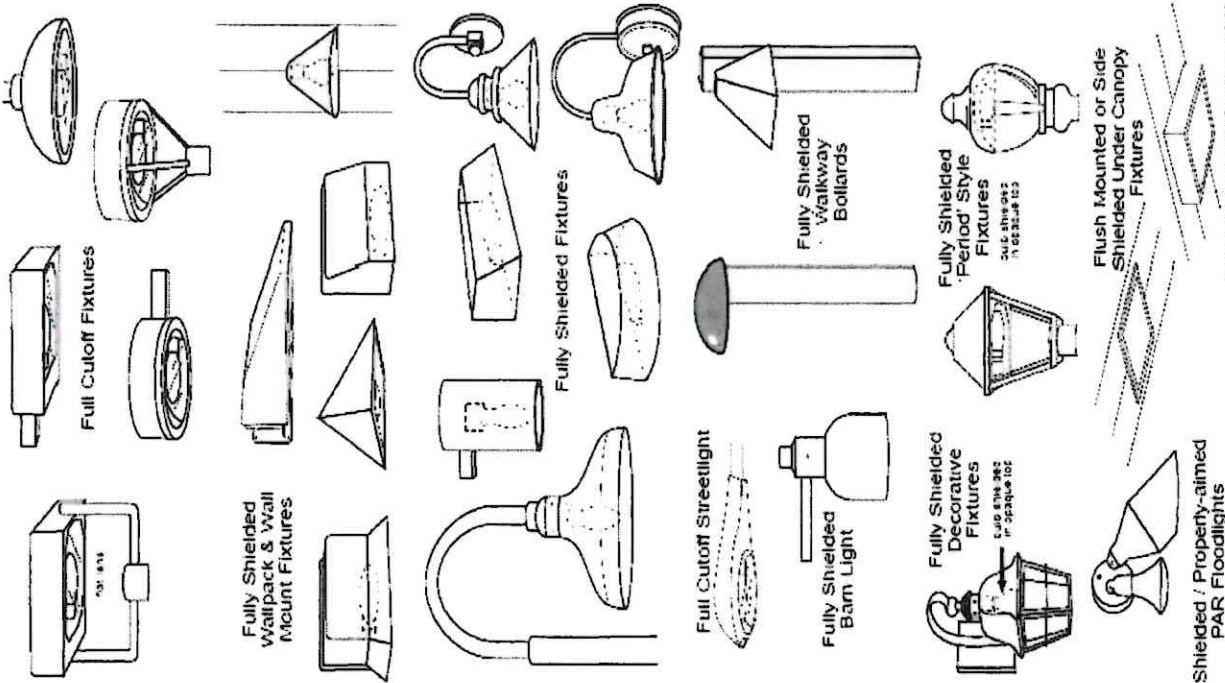
**APPLICABILITY –** All exterior lighting shall comply.

**PERFORMANCE STANDARDS:** (All nonessential exterior commercial and residential lighting is encouraged to be turned off after business hours and/or when not in use. Lights on a timer are encouraged. Sensor activated lights are encouraged to replace existing lighting that is desired for security purposes.)

All Other Outdoor Lighting Shall Meet The Following Standards:

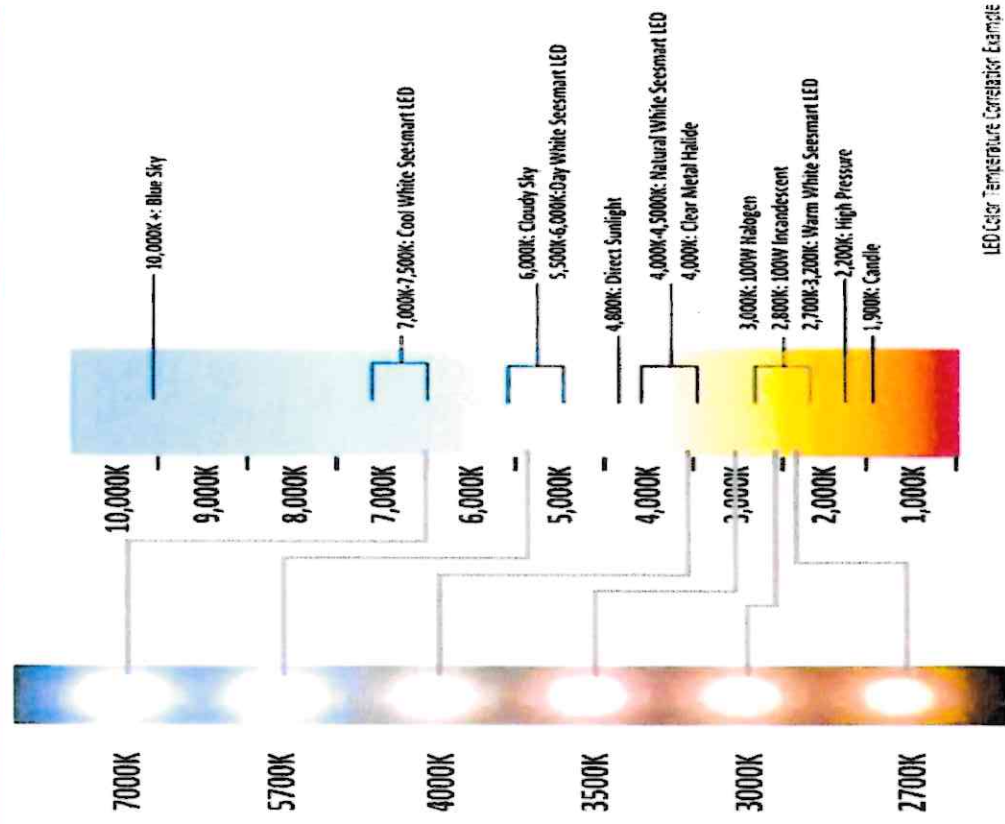
- The height of any light fixture or illumination source shall not exceed thirty feet (30').
- All lighting or illumination units or sources shall be hooded or shielded in a downward direction so they do not produce glare or cause light trespass on any adjacent lot or real property as depicted in section 6-2-7 of this chapter.
- Lights or illumination units shall not direct light, either directly or through a reflecting device, upon any adjacent lot or real property. **Lighting should not illuminate the sky or reflect off adjacent water bodies or produce glare or cause light trespass on any adjacent lot or real property.**
- All outdoor lights used for parking areas, walkways, and similar uses mounted on poles eight feet (8') or greater in height shall be directed downward. The light source shall be shielded so that it will not produce glare or cause light trespass on any adjacent lot or real property.
- The installation of mercury vapor lamps is hereby prohibited.
- Flashing or intermittent lights, lights of changing degree of intensity, or moving lights shall not be permitted. This subsection shall not be construed so as to prohibit ...holiday lights.
- Sensor activated lights, provided:
  - o It is located in such a manner as to prevent glare and lighting onto properties of others or into a public right of way;
  - o It is set to only go on when activated and to go off within five (5) minutes after activation has ceased;
  - o It shall not be triggered by activity off the property.
- Up lighting for flags, provided the flag is of a government and the maximum lumen output is one thousand three hundred (1,300) lumens. Flags are encouraged to be taken down at sunset to avoid the need for lighting.
- LED lighting color shall not exceed 3,000 K.

# Examples of Fully Shielded Luminaires



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# Basic LED Reference Example



LED Color Temperature Correlation Example

**Compliant Light Fixture Example**



**Non-Compliant Example**



Amazon - P8709-31 Dark Sky Cup



Here are some examples of options to bring your lights into Dark Sky Compliance.

Home Depot - 11 oz. Frosted Glass Spray Paint



Amazon - 6107500 One-Light Dimmable LED Outdoor

