

HOLIDAY LIGHT POLICE

Address: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____ AM PM

The owner of this residence is hereby notified that they have been issued this citation by a member of the Holiday Light Police.

- COMMENDATION: Congratulations, your Holiday Light Display is worthy of notice.
- VIOLATION: Your Holiday Light Display violates one of the guidelines outlined below.

Commendations

- Exceptional Display
- Pleasant Coordination
- Groovy Music
- Fun Figurines

Violations

- Bulb Clashing
- Poor Maintenance
- Uncoordinated
- Laziness
- Mixed Iconography
- Inappropriate Color Use
- Timing
- Date
- Multimedia Distraction

Comments: _____

Score: _____

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Exceptional Display: Well coordinated, perhaps including music; may be way over the top, but in a pleasing manner. Display is either very elegant or outrageously fun and attracts positive attention to the neighborhood.

Uncoordinated: Light type and color are well matched or mixed in a pleasing fashion.

Music: Audible music as part of display. Bonus points for unusual or cool holiday music, such as oldies by Frank Sinatra, Bing Crosby or Burl Ives.

Violations

Bulb Clashing: Mixing of big and little bulbs, mixing of white and colored lights, in an uncoordinated manner.

Poor Maintenance: Lights are burned out in and creating gaps in display, figures knocked over.

Uncoordinated: Strands of light blinking out of sequence, clashing colors.

Laziness: Sloppy strand work, especially on deciduous trees which should be strung along branches and twigs and not sparsely wrapped around the tree. Or, not using an extension cord to bring the strand of lights to the object to be lit, so that you see the string of lights along the base of the object.

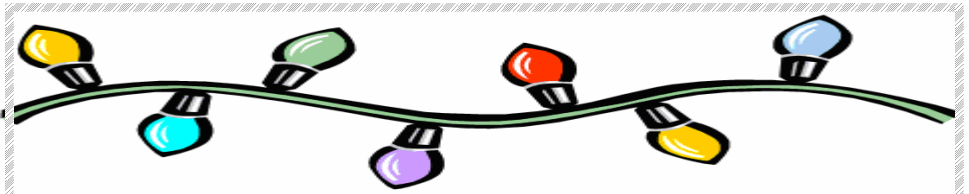
Mixed Iconography: Religious and Secular should not be part of the same display. Santa was not part of the nativity scene. Nor was Rudolph one of the animals in the manger.

Inappropriate Color Use: Christmas is red, white and green. Blue should not be used unless you are Jewish, Neon Blue should NEVER be used.

Timing: Displays may be lit from dusk until 11PM (or earlier, if required by local ordinance). Your neighbors might want to go to sleep sometime without 10,000 watts of light shining in their bedroom keeping them awake.

Date: Displays may begin on the Friday after Thanksgiving and must come down no later than the Sunday following Epiphany.

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