

Zoning Interpretation Record

Subject of Interpretation:

Screening of vehicles under repair in the B-3 Zoning District

Zoning Ordinance Reference (Article and Section):

Article 5, Section 12.2-17

Interpretation:

Title I, Article 5, Section 12.3-17 permits "Automobile service and repair establishment, but not including body or fender repair, with no more than 5000 square feet of floor area. Any major repair or storage of equipment or materials or damaged vehicles shall be inside a completely enclosed building or otherwise screened in accordance with the requirements of Article 7, Section 2A."

The intent of this provision is to screen from public view any vehicles remaining on the premises for more than 24 hours (while awaiting repair, parts, pick-up, etc.). This applies to all vehicles under repair, not just those with visible exterior damage or unlicensed vehicles.

Screening may be accomplished by keeping these vehicles inside the repair facility overnight or by providing a storage area on premises which is screened in accordance with Article 7, Section 2A.

Examples:

A repair establishment has a vehicle awaiting parts which may not come in for several days. This vehicle must be kept either inside the building or in an enclosed storage area until the repairs are complete.

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