

**1163.08 INTERIOR LANDSCAPING REQUIREMENTS.**

- (a) The following requirements for landscaping ~~the interior portions~~ of a parking area are intended to promote public safety, to moderate heat, wind and other climatic effects produced by parking lots, to minimize nuisances such as noise and glare, and to enhance the visual environment of off-street parking. These requirements are the minimum requirements for any new off-street parking areas of 1,000 square feet or more or intended for five or more vehicles, or for any parking area altered to an extent of 25 percent or more of the total square footage of the existing off-street parking area.
- (b) ~~The property perimeter requirements of Chapter 913 of the Streets and Public Services Code shall also be met for new or altered parking areas, and shall not count towards the requirements for interior landscaping. All parking areas adjacent to public right-of-way shall be screened from view by use of an evergreen hedge, masonry wall (brick or stone), mound or combination thereof to a height of 3'.~~
- (c) The required amount of interior landscaping area shall be five percent of the total area of the parking lot pavement.
- (d) The minimum size of the total area of any one landscape area shall be 50 square feet with the minimum dimension being five feet.
- (e) One tree per 100 square feet of required landscape area or portion thereof shall be required. The minimum caliper of such trees shall be three inches as measured in accordance with ANSI requirements.
- (f) This required landscaping shall be maintained within the minimum requirements set forth in this chapter.
- (g) Landscaping in parking areas shall be dispersed throughout the peninsulas and islands. The minimum parking island size ~~shall-should~~ be 200 square feet.
- ~~(h) There shall be a ten-foot wide island for every two rows of parking. The island shall have a minimum three-foot high screen between the two rows of parking. The screen may be comprised of mounding, evergreen planting or a combination thereof.~~
- ~~(i) Developers are directed to refer to Chapter 913 of the Streets and Public Services Code for additional requirements and information regarding landscaping.~~

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