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Campbell	No	All properties	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Energy efficient * Fully shielded or recessed * External light fixtures, poles, and their foundation should be simple in design and compatible with and complimentary to the style of surrounding development. * Pedestrian style lighting (3-5 feet) should be installed in areas where foot traffic is prevalent. * Parking lots and private driveways should not be more than 20 feet. * Permanent lighting shall not blink, flash, or be of unusually high intensity or brightness. * Should be compatible in scale. 	Completely turned off or significantly dimmed at close of business when exterior lighting is not essential for security and safety when located in non-residential zoning districts	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Cupertino	No	Residential Hillside, Commercial Development and Parking Lots	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> White type light - either halide or a comparable color corrected light unless otherwise approved as part of a development plan. * Directional light to ensure adjacent residential properties or public rights of way not impacted. Residential Hillside - Motion acticated lights shall not exceed 100 watts and must be shielded to avoid all off-site intrusion. All other lighting to be directional. 		High-intensity lighting in Residential Hillside zoning districts.			
Los Altos	No	All properties	N/A	Lighting shall be designed to minimize the glare and intensity of external illumination, and to respect the privacy of neighbors by avoiding direct and reflected illumination onto adjacent properties.	N/A	Lighting that unnecessarily illuminates any other lot or substantially interferes with use or enjoyment of that lot	N/A	N/A	N/A
Los Altos Hills	No	All properties	N/A	N/A	N/A	No lighting for tennis and other recreation courts, high intensity discharge lighting (mercury vapor, high and low pressure sodium, and metal halide	N/A	N/A	N/A
Los Gatos	No	All properties	N/A	* Outdoor lights must be shielded and directed to shine on improvements including plants on the zoning plot where the lights are located and not directly on other property or any public right-of-way.	N/A	Shoestring lighting is not permitted.	N/A	N/A	N/A
Malibu	Yes	All properties to comply with by a specific date determined in the reading of the ordinance, the following are to comply immediately: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Outdoor lighting fixtures that can be pointed downward, * Lighting with dimmers and certain brightness, * String lights not for dining and entertainment * All outdoor lighting installed after the effective date 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Indoor lighting *Lighting within the public right-of-way * Permitted lighting for signs * Lighting to illuminate address signs * Temporary construction or emergency lighting * Aircraft navigation light (attached to towers) * Short-term lighting authorized by a special permit * Malibu High School field and parking lot lights * Seasonal lighting (11/15-1/15) 	* All outdoor light fixtures shall be fully shielded and to not light trespass in excess amounts.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Automated control system, such as motion sensors and timers, shall be used to meet the curfew requirements. * Photocells and photocontrols shall be used to extinguish all outdoor lighting automatically when sufficient daylight is available. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Light trespass * Permanently installed lighting that blinks, flashes or is of unusually high intensity or brightness * Lighting of the shore is prohibited * Lighting around the perimeter, except for security purposes, is prohibited 	Director approves deviation in all residential zones, PC for all other zoning districts subject to certain findings	3000 Kelvin except amber colored sources near the beach and seasonal lighting.	Public Open Residential zoning district Commercial and Institutional districts
Monte Sereno	No	Private property, can continue nonconformity, may make architectural changes to elements	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted lighting by right: * One or two post light per entrance, but not exceeding four total when there are multiple entrances, * Bulbs shall not exceed eight (8) feet above ground level, * No bulb shall have greater illumination than a 75 watt incandescent bulb without a reflector, * Unshielded bulbs (porch lights) may not be installed at heights no greater than 7 feet above the floor of the doorway, shall still not exceed 75 watt incandescent bulb * Emergency lighting may be used for up to four days, special permit required if longer than 4 days, emergency outdoor lighting may be on for no more than 10 minutes 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Morgan Hill	No	Parking and loading	N/A	All fixtures shall be hooded and downward facing. In housing areas, lights shall be designed and scaled at a pedestrian scale with a maximum height of sixteen feet.	N/A	Cobra head type street lights are prohibited	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mountain View	No	Multiple-family dwellings	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Fixtures must be protected by weather- and vandalism-resistant covers, be directional and minimum 1.0 footcandle illumination. * Perimeter lighting much be designed and shielded to not cause off-site glare and nuisance. 	Designed to turn on automatically at night.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Portola Valley	Yes	All outdoor lighting installed after the date of effect of the ordinance shall comply.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exception for signs (different chapter regulates) Holiday lighting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All outdoor fixtures shall be Dark Sky compliant, and include: * Shield directing light downward; * Bulb not protruding below horizontal plane at bottom of shield, * Light spill limited to the object to be illuminated, * Fixtures shall not have ability to swivel or adjust direction, except path lighting 	Implemented to the effect that outdoor lights are on when needed, can be used with motion sensor lights, photo-cells, timers - all lights shall self-extinguish within 2 minutes of being illuminated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Up-lighting, * Lights for game courts * Aerial lasers * Flood lightssearchlights * Lighting with no on/off switch or ability to be controlled * Light that exceeds 1,125 lumens * Strings of exposed light bulbs 	Lighting for landscaping (incl. entryway features, pillars, posts), commercial parking light	N/A	N/A
San Luis Obispo	Yes	Whenever a person is required to obtain a building permit, electrical permit for outdoor lighting, or signage, and/or approval of any development project, the applicant, shall provide information to ensure compliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Neon and signage lighting approved through architectural review, * Public rights-of-way lighting, * Emergency aviation lighting, * Infrastructure construction lighting, * Nonelectric lighting (gas lamps or kerosene lanterns), * Temporary and seasonal lighting, * Accent lighting (architectural features, statues, art, signage), * Search lights, * Billboards, * Decorative patio lighting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outdoor lighting shall conform to: * Orientation - directed downward away from adjacent properties and ROW * Light Trespass in residential zones - max two-maintained horizontal foot candles (except at the site of the light source) * Light Intensity in residential sites - not exceed a maintained value of ten-foot candles at grade * Light intensity on nonresidential sites - not exceed a maintained value of 10-foot candles, standards for auto sales and athletic fields * Hours of Operation - turned off or sig. dimmed at the close of business hours unless lighting is essential for security or safety * New Development: Fully shielded, Design to complement building design and landscaping and may require arch. review. * Height, Intensity, and scale - appropriate to use. Service Station Canopies shall be fully shielded and utilize flush-mounted canopy fixtures with flat lenses 	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Flashing * Projection above horizontal plan * Upward sign illumination search lights * Outdoor athletic fields to conclude at 11 	N/A	N/A	N/A