

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**2017 Legislative Session**

Bill No. CB-10-2017

Chapter No. \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed and Presented by Council Member Franklin

Introduced by Council Members Franklin, Lehman, Harrison, Turner, Davis,  
Glaros, Taveras and Patterson

Date of Introduction March 28, 2017

**BILL**

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 Agritourism Signs

3 For the purpose of permitting the use of signs promoting Agritourism and generally relating to  
4 Agritourism signs.

5 BY adding:

6 SUBTITLE 27. ZONING.  
7 Section 27-629.01,  
8 The Prince George's County Code  
9 (2015 Edition; 2016 Supplement).

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,  
11 Maryland, that Section 27-629.01 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is hereby  
12 added:

13 **SUBTITLE 27. ZONING.**

14 **PART 12. SIGNS.**

15 **DIVISION 3. DESIGN STANDARDS.**

16 **SUBDIVISION 2. SIGNS FOR SPECIFIC USES.**

17 **Sec. 27-629.01 Agritourism Signs.**

18 (a) A permanent sign identifying an Agritourism business is permitted provided:

19 (1) The sign has a maximum area not to exceed seventy-two (72) square feet; and

20 (2) The sign is located on the premises of the Agritourism business and subject to the

21 following:

1           (A) For a sign affixed to a building, the sign shall not extend beyond the highest point  
2 of the roof line of the business;

3           (B) For a freestanding or gateway sign, the sign shall be:

4                   (i) Set back from any public roadway by at least eight (8) feet;

5                   (ii) Not be taller than the highest point of the roof line of the business; and

6                   (iii) Maintain unobstructed lines of vision for five-hundred (500) feet in all  
7 directions of travel;

8           (C) The maximum number of signs allowed is one (1) sign for a property (on which  
9 the Agritourism business is located) that is at least two (2) but less than five (5) acres in size, two  
10 (2) signs if the property is at least five (5) but less than seven (7) acres in size, and a maximum of  
11 three (3) signs if the property is seven (7) acres in size or greater (the parcel of property on which  
12 the business is located must be at least two (2) acres in size to be permitted to use a sign under  
13 this Subparagraph);

14           (D) Any illumination of the sign shall be confined to the face of the sign and  
15 brightness shall not glare onto adjacent property or streets. No neon, red, or flashing device or  
16 lights on the sign shall be used. The sign may be double-sided; and

17           (E) The advertised Agritourism business is a legally allowed use.

18           (b) Temporary Agritourism Directional Signs.

19           (1) A temporary Agritourism Directional Sign is permitted provided:

20                   (A) The sign has a maximum area not to exceed eight (8) square feet,

21                   (B) The sign is located within twenty (20) miles of the advertised Agritourism  
22 business,

23                   (C) The sign is setback at least eight (8) feet from any public street,

24                   (D) The sign has a maximum height of eight (8) feet above finished grade at the base  
25 of the sign,

26                   (E) The sign is not illuminated (while it may reflect light), and

27                   (F) The advertised Agritourism business is a legally allowed use and the business is  
28 located on a parcel of property that is at least two (2) acres in size.

29           (2) If a sworn officer of the Police Department or the Office of the Sheriff or a designee  
30 of the Director of the Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement determines that a  
31 Temporary Agritourism Directional Sign is a hazard to public safety, the officer or official may  
32 remove the sign.

1           (3) A Temporary Agritourism Directional Sign may be posted for a maximum of one  
2           hundred and eighty (180) consecutive calendar days and its removal is the responsibility of the  
3           sign owner. Failure of timely removal shall constitute littering by the sign owner under county  
4           law.

5           SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect forty-five (45)  
6           calendar days after it becomes law.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Derrick Leon Davis  
Chairman

ATTEST:

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Redis C. Floyd  
Clerk of the Council

KEY:  
Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.  
Asterisks \*\*\* indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.