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"Dark Sky" Lighting

Dear Silver Shekel Property Owners,

At the recent SSOA Annual Meeting there was a discussion about Dark Sky lighting requirements in Summit County. At that time we noted that Breckenridge has implemented a policy that requires Dark Sky compliant fixtures be installed throughout the Town in most homes and businesses. In Summit County, however, the rules require that only **new construction** and **existing short term rental properties** have compliant fixtures.

If you are interested in the details and reasons for the initiatives, check the [Dark Sky International website](#).

In a nutshell, a Dark Sky compliant light fixture points the light down and uses bulbs that emit a warm color, not a bright-white or bluish color.

Here are the requirements for [Summit County](#) (which apply to Silver Shekel) and the [Town of Breckenridge](#) (which don't).

If you want to change out light fixtures, Lowe's and Home Depot have a few, but there are much larger selections at Amazon and other on-line stores.

Attached are images from a home in Silver Shekel that recently made the switch. Instead of buying new, some fixtures can be retrofitted with a shield, as shown in the Summit County link above.

Sincerely,

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[New Fixture from Amazon](#)