

Sec. 20-138. Special provisions for the protection of mangroves¹.

- (a) *Generally.* In addition to the foregoing tree protection requirements, the following special provisions shall apply to the removal or alteration of mangroves (Black Mangrove, *Avicennia germinans*; White Mangrove, *Laguncularia racemosa*; Red Mangrove, *Rhizophora mangle*).
- (b) *Replacement.* Mangroves may not be removed unless the developer replaces or relocates on the same development site at least an equal number of mangroves, necessary to revegetate a land area equal to or greater than the land area from which mangroves were removed. The developer shall provide a plan to be approved by the building official or designee, to assure the survival of the replaced or relocated mangroves and to stabilize the shoreline from which mangroves were removed. The approved plan is an express condition of any permit. Failure to carry out any provision of the plan shall be a violation of this Code.
- (c) *Other protective measures.* The following protective measures apply to all mangroves.
 - (1) A permit shall be obtained from DER for any alteration of mangroves in jurisdictional waters.
 - (2) A permit shall be obtained from the town for any alteration of mangroves which are exempt from DER permit requirements.
 - (3) Standards for alteration of mangroves shall be those contained in Rule 17.27, Mangrove Protection, of the Florida Administrative Code.

(Ord. No. 597, § 1(2.19), 8-22-90)

¹ Note that certain exemptions to this provision apply including lots or parcels of land on which a single-family home is used as a residence, except historic or specimen trees on such parcels.