



SIGN REQUIREMENTS



EXEMPT IN ALL DISTRICTS

- Government Signs
- Historical Markers
- Political Election Signs (must be removed within 10 days after election)
- Temporary decorations for any national, state, local or religious holiday /celebration/community event
- Public utility signs for warning and safety
- Signs displayed on vehicles and equipment operated in normal course of business
- Flags, pennants or insignias
- Window signs

SIGNS PERMITTED IN ALL DISTRICTS WITHOUT A PERMIT

- One (1) of each of the following signs, except directional signs per establishment
- Must be non-illuminated
- Type:
 - A. Identification sign of two (2) square feet, denoting the name and/or address of the occupants
 - B. Professional or announcement signs of two square feet or less, for professions or businesses permitted as home occupations, accessory or conditional uses
 - C. A temporary sign, of less than twelve (12) square feet, advertising the specific property for sale or rent, and placed no closer than ten (10) feet from the street right-of-way
 - D. Directional signs, or two (2) square feet or less, designating ingress and egress from a property

SIGNS PERMITTED IN ALL DISTRICTS WITH A PERMIT

- All signage, when illuminated
- Signage over twelve (12) square feet, advertising the property for sale, rent, lease, or trade (reference full ordinance for area and distance requirements)
- Signs or bulletin boards incidental to places of worship, libraries, schools, museums, or societies, not to exceed fifteen (15) feet in area and located no closer than ten (10) feet from the right-of-way
- Temporary signs with additional provision that it must be removed within ten (10) days after the completion of the project, event, or election.
- More than one (1) identification sign on a property. If located in the right-of-way, must obtain special permission of the controlling authority.

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ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

MAIN STREET (Projecting Signs)

- Projecting signs shall not extend further than three (3) feet from building and no more than five (5) feet in height and at least eight (8) feet above the ground.
- Horizontal or flush signs shall not overhang the right-of-way or sidewalk over one (1) foot.
- Signs existing at time of ordinance are exempted from compliance until ownership and/or business changes, or until a repair or change of the existing sign is necessary.

BUSINESS & INDUSTRIAL

- Max area for free-standing signs:
B-1, B-3, I-1: Four (4) sf for each ten (10) ft of street frontage up to a max of 100 sf
B-2, I-2: Six (6) sf for each ten (10) ft of street frontage up to a max of 200 sf
- Setback shall be ten (10) ft from right-of-way
- Signs as part of principal structure may not protrude more than twelve (12) inches from the wall and cover no more than a maximum of 25% of the wall face and shall be at least eight (8) feet off the ground.
- See ordinance for Shopping Center requirements

AGRICULTURAL & RESIDENTIAL

- No more than one (1) non-illuminated sign not to exceed fifteen (15) square feet per farm no closer than ten (10) feet from the right-of-way.
- For multi-family dwellings, an identification sign not to exceed ten (10) square feet in area no closer than ten (10) feet from the right-of-way.
- Only one (1) sign per street frontage.

OFF-PREMISES SIGNS

- Off-premises signs are permitted only in B-2 General Commercial, I-1 Light Industrial, and I-2 Heavy Industrial with a building permit.
Max area for off-premises sign is sixty (60) sf
- No more than two (2) signs may be placed on any single parcel of less road frontage than 2,000 sf
- Signs larger than 50 sf must be at least 300 ft apart.
Signs less than fifty (50) sf must be at least 100 feet apart.
- Off-premises signs must be located within 10 miles of the business to which the sign is located.

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