

Part 4

Signs Not Requiring a Permit

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Signs listed in Part 4 of this bylaw do not require a permit and are permitted in all sign districts, except as otherwise provided in this bylaw.

4.2 Compliance with Other Requirements

Signs that do not require a permit:

- (a) must comply with all applicable regulations under this or any other bylaw; and
- (b) may require electrical, building, or other permits.

4.3 Address, Commemorative, or Public Information Signs

A permit is not required for:

- (a) a sign listing only the building number, civic address, or street name of a premises;
- (b) a commemorative plaque or cornerstone; or
- (c) a sign providing information or a warning related to safety, security, parking restrictions, or public access, that has a sign area no greater than 0.2 m² per face.

4.4 Agricultural Local Product Signs

A permit is not required for an agricultural local product sign, that:

- (a) is located outside the City's Urban Development Boundary;
- (b) has a sign area no greater than 3.0 m², provided that the combined sign area of all agricultural local product signs on the lot is no greater than 3.0 m²; and
- (c) is no more than 2.5 m in height.

4.5 Banner Signs

A permit is not required for a banner sign, that:

- (a) has a vertical dimension at least twice the width of the banner;
- (b) is secured perpendicular to a building face; and
- (c) has a sign area no greater than 3.0 m², provided that the combined sign area of all banner signs on the building face is no greater than 3.0 m².

4.6 Community Activity Signs

A permit is not required for a community activity sign, that:

- (a) is limited to 4 signs for each activity, provided that the signs are not located on the same lot frontage;
- (b) has a sign area no greater than 3.0 m² per face;
- (c) is erected no more than 60 days prior to the activity;
- (d) is removed no more than 7 days after the conclusion of the activity;
- (e) may contain third party advertising; and
- (f) is not internally illuminated.

4.7 Construction Project Signs

A permit is not required for a construction project sign, that:

- (a) has a sign area no greater than 3.0 m² per face, except that in the case of a single detached dwelling or duplex, the maximum sign area is 0.6 m² per face; and
- (b) is removed no later than 1 month following the approved final inspection, or in the case of a subdivision, upon the initial sale of all of the lots.

4.8 Contractor Identification Signs

A permit is not required for a contractor identification sign, that:

- (a) has a sign area no greater than 1.5 m² per face, except that in the case of a single detached dwelling or duplex, the maximum sign area is 0.2 m² per face; and
- (b) is removed no more than 14 days following the approved final inspection of the project.

4.9 Directional Signs

A permit is not required for a directional sign, that:

- (a) has a sign area no greater than 0.6 m² per face;
- (b) is no more than 1.2 m in height; and
- (c) may contain third party advertising, where the sign:
 - (i) is located outside the City's Urban Development Boundary;
 - (ii) provides directions to a lot in the City where agricultural products are sold that were produced by a farm operation operating on that lot;
 - (iii) is limited to 2 signs for each lot to which directions are provided; and
 - (iv) is removed no later than 14 days after products are no longer sold on the lot to which directions are provided.

4.10 Home Occupation Signs

A permit is not required for a home occupation sign, that:

- (a) is a freestanding sign;
- (b) is limited to 1 sign on each lot;
- (c) has a sign area no greater than 0.4 m², in the case of a Home Occupation – Level 2, or 1.2 m², in the case of a Home Occupation – Level 3 or 4;
- (d) has a height no greater than 1.5 m; and
- (e) is not illuminated.

4.11 Identification Signs

A permit is not required for an identification sign, that:

- (a) is limited to 1 sign for each premises;
- (b) has a sign area no greater than 0.6 m² per face;
- (c) is no greater than 1.5 m in height, where the sign is freestanding; and
- (d) is not internally illuminated.

4.12 Promotional Signs

A permit is not required for a promotional sign, that:

- (a) is a banner sign, portable sign, stake sign, or window sign;
- (b) is limited to 1 sign for each premises;
- (c) in the case of a banner sign:
 - (i) has a sign area no greater than 3.0 m² per face;
- (d) in the case of a portable sign:
 - (i) has a sign area no greater than 3.0 m² per face; and
 - (ii) is no more than 1.5 m in height;
- (e) in the case of a stake sign:
 - (i) has a sign area no greater than 0.6 m² per face; and
 - (ii) is no more than 1.5 m in height;
- (f) in the case of a window sign:
 - (i) has a sign area no greater than 1.2 m² per face;
- (g) may be displayed for no more than 90 days in a calendar year; and
- (h) is not backlit or internally illuminated.

4.13 Real Estate Directional Signs

A permit is not required for a real estate directional sign, that:

- (a) is limited to 2 signs for each open house event;
- (b) has a sign area no greater than 0.6 m² per face;

- (c) is no more than 1.2 m in height;
- (d) is erected no more than 1 hour prior to the start of the open house event and removed no more than 1 hour after the conclusion of the open house event; and
- (e) may contain third party advertising.

4.14 Real Estate Signs

A permit is not required for a real estate sign, that:

- (a) is limited to one 1 sign on each frontage of a premises;
- (b) has no more than 2 faces;
- (c) has a sign area no greater than 1.5 m² per face, except that where the frontage is greater than 100.0 m in length, the sign area may be increased to no more than 3.0 m² per face;
- (d) is removed no more than 14 days after the property being advertised is sold, leased, or rented; and
- (e) is not backlit or internally illuminated.

4.15 Sandwich Board Signs

A permit is not required for a sandwich board sign, that:

- (a) is limited to 1 sign for each premises;
- (b) where located at the front of a building, is located in the building frontage zone, or otherwise the furnishing zone, maintaining a clear pedestrian movement zone;
- (c) has a sign area no greater than 0.6 m² per face; and
- (d) is removed when the premises are not open for business.

4.16 Window Signs

A permit is not required for a window sign, that:

- (a) has a sign area no greater than 25% of the total area of the window on which the sign is located.