

ARTICLE XIII
SIGN REGULATION MAINTENANCE AND ENFORCEMENT

Section 13-1 General Sign Compliance *(amended 06-17-99)*

No type of exterior sign may be erected, posted, reposted, placed, replaced, hung, painted, or repainted in any use district except in accordance with this Article. Signs not specifically authorized by these regulations are prohibited. The Board of Adjustment shall not have the authority to grant variances so as to allow prohibited signs to be installed.

13-1-1 Signs not requiring a permit. The following types of signs are allowed in any use district without a permit:

- a) Any sign not exceeding two square feet in area and bearing only address numbers, names of occupants or business and professional signs not exceeding two square feet in area.
- b) Temporary signs advertising the sale, rental or lease of the property on which said signs are located, provided such signs are nonilluminated and do not exceed two signs per lot, do not exceed four feet in height and do not exceed four square feet per face for property zoned residential or do not exceed eight feet in height and do not exceed 32 square feet per face for property zoned other than residential. All such signs shall be removed within seven days after the closing of the sale, rental, or lease of the property.
- c) Directional signs or information signs of a public or quasi-public nature, not exceeding eight square feet in area, such as community names, place of worship, meeting place of a civic body, or event of public interest. Signs identifying a PRD, Planned Residential Development or subdivision may be erected provided that they do not exceed 24 square feet in area, are not greater than five feet in height and are only lighted indirectly.
(amended 07-06-06)
- d) Signs for churches or public buildings (including bulletin boards, lighted or unlighted) not to exceed 15 square feet in area. Such signs must meet the yard requirements for the district in which they are located.
- e) Signs advertising agricultural products for sale which are produced on the premises, not to exceed 20 square feet in area.
- f) Legal notices, identification, information or directional signs required by governmental bodies.
- g) Signs not exceeding six square feet in area directing and guiding traffic to parking areas on private property but bearing no advertising material.

- h) Other signs and devices including plaques, banners, pennants, streamers and posters for a period of not more than two weeks before and after the opening of a new business or sale. The Zoning Department shall be notified of the posting of such signs and devices in order to track the time period. Portable commercial signs are not included in this provision. *(amended 07-06-06)*
- i) One construction sign shall be allowed on a construction site provided such sign does not exceed 32 square feet in area per display face and a maximum of ten feet in height. Construction signs shall not be erected prior to the issuance of a building permit and shall be removed within seven days of the issuance of a certificate of occupancy.
- j) Signs which are not visible beyond the boundaries of the lot upon which they are located and/or from any public thoroughfare or right-of-way. *(added 12-0-99)*
- k) Political signs not exceeding three square feet permitted 60 days prior to three days following the day of the election. *(added 07-06-06)*

13-1-2 Signs Requiring a Permit. *(amended 08-09-01)* No sign except those listed in 13-1-1 shall be erected in the PRD, PMH, R-40, R-20, R-15, R-10 or R-6 zoning district classifications nor in corresponding special use districts, if any. No sign except those listed in 13-1-1 shall be erected in the PCD, RCT, C-1, C-2, C-3, C-4, MIC, CMU, or I-1 zoning district classifications, nor in corresponding special use districts, if any, without a permit obtained from the Administrative Officer. Each application for a permit shall be accompanied by plans which show the following:

- a) identify the proposed site by means of the property owner, location and present use;
- b) show location of the sign on the lot in relation to property lines and existing signs or structures;
- c) show complete structural specifications; and
- d) any additional information needed to determine if such sign will be erected in conformance with the Ordinance.

13-1-3 Sign Location

- a) No sign when attached to a building shall project closer than 18 inches to the curb line and it shall be at least ten feet above the level of any walkway it may overhang. Painted wall advertising signs are not permitted.
- b) No sign except those erected for governmental purposes shall be permitted on any public property or right-of-way. *(amended 07-06-06)*
- c) Double-faced signs shall be permitted only in areas designated in the Ordinance.

13-1-4 Height of Sign