



# Temporary Signs



## What type do not need a permit?

**Sidewalk signs** located near the main entrance of a non-residential use, provided:

- One sidewalk sign per tenant allowed, provided it is located within 5 feet of the public entry to the building.
- Sign shall not interfere with pedestrian or vehicular circulation (min. sidewalk clearance of 5 ft. must be maintained).
- Sign shall not exceed 8 sq ft in area and 4 ft. in height.
- Sign may have changeable copy such as chalkboard, whiteboard or cork.

**Temporary banners** in commercial and mixed use districts, provided:

- Only one banner per establishment shall be allowed at a time.
- All banners shall be secured to a building wall or permanent canopy extending from a building.
- No paper banners.
- 6 banners per establishment are allowed per calendar year for a period not to exceed 2 weeks each.
- No banner shall extend above the second occupiable floor level of a building.

**Grand-Opening banners** in commercial and mixed-use districts are allowed in addition to temporary banners, provided:

- Banner may be erected for a period not to exceed 30 calendar days.
- Total number of banners shall not exceed two (2) per property.
- One additional temporary ground-mounted sign may be erected for a Grand-Opening for a period not to exceed 10 calendar days.
- Temporary ground-mounted sign shall be a maximum 6 feet in height and 24 sq. ft in area.
- Temporary ground-mounted sign shall be located outside of right-of-way and sight triangle.

**Campaign signs** are allowed, provided:

- Signs shall not exceed 16 sq feet in area or 6 feet in height if located on private property and 6 sq. ft. in area and 3 ½ ft. in height if located in a right-of-way.
- No signs are permitted in the right-of-way of a fully controlled access highway.
- Signs shall be no closer than 3 feet from the edge of pavement of the road.
- Permission shall be obtained from any property owner fronting the right-of-way where a sign is erected.
- Signs may be erected no earlier than 30 days prior to the beginning date of "one-stop" early voting (or third Thursday prior to the election date).
- All signs shall be removed within 10 days after the election or primary for which they were made.

## When do I need a permit?

**Temporary off-premises signs or banners** for special community events open to the general public and sponsored by non-commercial, civic, charitable, community, or similar organizations are allowed. See permit application for specific size, placement and maximum allowed time frames.

## What's prohibited?

Most signs extending into the public right-of-way other than permanent signs approved by the Town of Huntersville are strictly prohibited, with the exception of certain campaign signs.

If you have questions in regards to public right-of-way, refer to your survey or call town staff at 704-875-7000.

## How do I apply?

1. Review Huntersville Zoning Ordinance, Article 10
2. Complete and Submit the [Temporary Sign Permit](#)

## Questions?

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