

Township of Hampton, PA
Friday, April 9, 2021

Chapter 310. Zoning

Article XIV. Signs

§ 310-91. Exemptions.

A. The following kinds of signs shall not require permits for erection:

- (1) 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 one sign per lot, do not exceed four feet in height and do not exceed four square feet per face for properties zoned residential, or do not exceed six feet in height and do not exceed 16 square feet per face for properties 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. Properties that contain permitted reader boards or dynamic displays shall use those signs to advertise sale, rental or lease opportunities and shall not be permitted to locate additional temporary signs.
- (2) Signs denoting the architect, engineer or contractor, when placed upon property on which the individual or firm is employed, not to exceed eight square feet in area and to be removed within 30 days of completion of the project.
- (3) Occupational or professional name plates or signs not more than two square feet in area, attached to a building, mailboxes or its supports, containing the offices of the individual or firm advertised, and inscribed only with the name, address, phone number and occupation thereof.
- (4) Memorial signs or tablets of incombustible materials erected by a public or nonprofit organization.
- (5) Traffic or other municipal signs providing warning or information to the traveling public put up by a public agency or authorized to be put up by a public agency.
- ~~(6) Signs erected in connection with elections or political campaigns shall be erected no earlier than six weeks before an election and such signs shall be removed within two weeks following the election. No such sign shall exceed 16 square feet in area.~~
*Propose to remove Section (6)
- (7) Signs erected in connection with municipal or school district sports activities shall be permitted on football and baseball athletic fields. All signs shall be one-sided and face or be directed to the interior of the athletic facility. The sign(s) shall not be lighted and may not exceed 15 feet in height.
- (8) Temporary window signs in commercial zoning districts or existing commercial nonconforming properties do not require a permit. Signs must be located on the inside of the window(s) when closed.
- (9) Temporary signs advertising auctions, garage or yard sales for properties residentially zoned, provided that they do not exceed four square feet in area per face and are removed as soon as the event or activity has occurred, and provided that they shall not be permitted to be

erected more than seven days prior to the event and shall be permitted only at the site at which the event will take place and at the nearest road intersection. No signs may be attached to a utility pole or traffic control sign in any way.

- (10) No-trespassing signs shall be placed a minimum of 50 feet apart.
 - (11) Flags in residential districts, provided that they do not exceed 15 square feet in area.
 - (12) Customary holiday decorations.
 - (13) One prominently displayed building address sign that is pedestrian- and automobile-oriented.
 - (14) Any public notice or warning required by a valid applicable federal, state or local law, regulation or ordinance.
 - (15) Traffic control signs.
 - (16) Signs installed by the Township shall be exempt from requirements of this chapter.
[Added 5-24-2017 by Ord. No. 796]
 - (17) A nonilluminated/nondynamic display freestanding temporary single sidewalk "sandwich board" sign no larger than 24 inches by 36 inches, located no further than 15 feet from a pedestrian entrance to the business use and in pedestrian areas (exempt from requirements of § 310-87F).
[Added 5-24-2017 by Ord. No. 796]
 - (18) Nonstructural banner-type sponsorship signs located on Township and HTSD properties which have been approved by Township Council.
[Added 5-24-2017 by Ord. No. 796]
- B. Fee exempt. The following kinds of signs shall require permits but shall not be obligated for any fees:
- (1) Temporary signs for local Hampton Township-based nonprofit, public and semipublic use, not to exceed 25 square feet, shall not be required to pay any fees. Each permit shall be limited to one sign on the advertised property located within the Township and, with written permission from said property owner(s), six off-site signs. Off-site signs shall be no larger than four square feet and shall be limited to one sign per off-site location. Signs shall not be located in any ROW. If the permitted signs are not removed by the expiration of the permit time allowance, no new permit shall be issued. No more than six fee-exempt applications shall be permitted in a calendar year for any nonprofit organization.