

11. Sign Provisions. The following standards apply to signs within the District:

A. **Standards Applying to All Signs.** The following general standards apply to all Signs within the District:

- i. Signs governed by this section are prohibited within any public road right-of-way or public easement (this does not include traffic control signs, road name signs, highway number signs, historic markers, travel information, Signs controlled by the Montana Outdoor Advertising Act, etc. or any other Signs installed and maintained by a government agency such as the Montana Department of Transportation or Gallatin County).
- ii. Signs shall be maintained by the owner and kept in good condition and routinely painted and repaired. Ground surface under and around any Sign shall be kept free of weeds, rubbish, or flammable waste material. Signs shall be repaired so that the condition no longer exists within 30 days of receipt of written notification of the hazard unless otherwise specified.
- iii. Signs for notification purposes approved as part of an Opencut Operations CUP for gravel mining operations shall refer to Section 2.6.3 for Sign standards.

B. **Standards for Signs on property within the Commercial or Mixed Use Districts.**

- i. *Wall Signs.* Canopy, window, or awning signs shall be classified as wall Signs. Dimensions of wall Signs shall not exceed 1.5 square feet per linear foot of building frontage. Lots fronting two or more streets shall be permitted an additional 35% of wall Sign area for each additional building frontage.
- ii. *Temporary Signs.* There are no dimension standards for temporary Signs. Temporary Signs, including, but not limited to, banners, pennants, or portable Signs, may be used as temporary supplemental signage by an organization or business in connection with a special event, or specific major commercial sales even such as grand opening, close-out and going-out-of business, or truckload sales. Display of Temporary Signs shall not exceed a maximum of 30 days at any one time, nor occur on more than four separate occasions within any calendar year.
- iii. *Freestanding Signs.*
  - a. On-premise Permanent Signs with up to ??? total square feet of Sign Area per Sign Face, with no more than two Sign Faces, and mounted with its highest point no higher than ?? feet above the existing grade. For Signs consisting of multiple elements supported by a single Structure, the total square footage of the Sign shall be the sum of the square footages of each individual element. On-premise Permanent Signs greater than 16 square feet of Sign Area per Sign Face require a permit pursuant to Section 2.3.4.

*For example; a Sign assembly consisting of an oval element 8' wide by 4' tall (32 sq. ft.) and a rectangular element 6' wide by 4' tall (24 sq. ft.) enclosed within an open supporting Structure 10' wide by 17' high shall be considered to be 56 sq. ft. per side (32' + 24')*

- b. Off-premise directional Signs of no more than ?? square feet of Sign Area per Sign Face, with no more than two Sign Faces, and mounted with its highest point no higher than ?? feet above the existing grade. Off-premise directional Signs shall carry only plain text messages and directional arrows.
- c. On-premise Temporary Signs, including, but not limited to, banners, sandwich boards, yard Signs, real estate Signs, "For Sale" Signs, and political Signs with no more than ?? total square feet of Sign Area per Sign Face, with no more than two Sign Faces, and mounted with its highest point no higher than ?? feet above the existing grade.

*For example a 14' wide by 10' high Sign painted on the side of a truck would not be allowed as it would exceed the size restriction.*

- d. Government of Official Signs and notices.
- e. *Master Signs.* Structures or clusters of Structures having more than one tenant or use, multi-tenant condo associations, and multi-Lot incorporated property owners associations may utilize a master Sign for the entire Structure or project. If a Development has more than one entrance, Master Signs may be utilized at each entrance.
  - a. Height. Maximum height of all Master Signs shall be ?? feet.
  - b. Square Footage. Master Signs shall not exceed a maximum square footage of ?? square feet of Sign Area per Sign Face.
  - c. Height for other Signs within multi-Lot Developments. Individual lots within a multi-Lot Development utilizing a Master Sign may have one on-premise Free-Standing Sign up to ?? feet in height measured from the base of the nearest road edge.
  - d. Square Footage of other Signs within multi-Lot Developments. Lots within a multi-Lot Development utilizing a Master Sign may have one on-premise Free-Standing Sign with a Sign Area of up to 100 square feet per Sign Face.

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