



Lawrence, Kansas Sign Code Regulations for Temporary Signs in Residential, Office, and PUD Zoning Districts – Permits NOT Required

Generally, residential lots in these zoning districts are allowed up to 3 freestanding temporary signs (up to 4 for corner lots) at the same time, with no sign exceeding 8 sq. ft. and 4 feet in height, and total area of all signs not exceeding 16 sq. ft.

For multifamily land uses (in addition to allowed freestanding temporary signs), 1 temporary wall sign is allowed per building, with a maximum of 2 signs per public street frontage, and a maximum size of 12 sq. ft. per sign.

Non-residential land-uses allowed under the City's Land Development Code in these zoning districts may have larger and taller freestanding, temporary signs and some temporary wall signage as follows.

- Total area of all freestanding temporary signs cannot exceed 32 sq. ft. per lot, with a maximum individual sign size of 32 sq. ft.
- Freestanding temporary signs cannot exceed 6 feet in height above the ground.
- One temporary wall sign is allowed per building, with a maximum of 2 signs per public street frontage, and a maximum size of 12 sq. ft. per sign.

Exceptions to the allowed maximum number, size or height of temporary signs in residential, office, and PUD zoning districts

- *Exception to maximum number of temporary signs:* temporary signs installed on a lot for not more than 50 days prior to and 10 days after date of a political election, referendum or ballot measure.
- *Exceptions to maximum Sign area and height:*
 - Residential subdivisions 2 or more acres in size and zoned Residential Single Family (RS), Planned Residential Development (PRD) or Planned Unit Development (PUD) – One freestanding temporary sign not exceeding 64 sq. ft. and 8 feet in height above adjoining grade that is installed near a main public street entrance to the subdivision. Such sign shall be located a minimum of 15 feet from any public right-of-way and shall be removed within 30 days after completion of construction of the last attached or detached dwelling in the subdivision.
 - For lots greater than 1 acre in size and zoned Residential Multifamily (RM), Planned Office Development (POD) or Commercial-Office (CO) – One temporary sign not exceeding 64 sq. ft. on such lot when there is on-going construction and development; shall not exceed 10 feet in height above adjoining grade.

Temporary sign prohibitions and restrictions in residential, office, and PUD zoning districts

- No signs installed in or placed on public right-of-way, except for governmental signs.
- No signs in the triangle formed by two curb lines at the intersection of two streets, a street and alley, two internal access streets, an internal access street and a street, or a driveway and a street, extending 50 feet each way from the intersection of the curb lines, shall exceed a height of more than 36 inches above road level of the adjoining street, alley, or driveway, so it does not obstruct the view of a driver.
- No signs in a public utility or drainage easement, except for governmental signs.
- No sign shall include balloons, pennant streamers, pennants, or other air activated elements, or any animated sign elements, whether animated by mechanical, electrical, or environmental means. Restrictions do not apply to government flags, as defined in Sign Code.
- No feather signs in residential, office and PUD zoning districts.
- No roof-mounted signs.
- No signs displaying any material, be it words, scenes, or graphics, that are obscene, indecent, immoral, or harmful to minors within the meaning of Kansas Statutes (K.S.A. 21-6401 as amended).
- Except as may otherwise be permitted in any Planned Development, any sign bearing a commercial message shall be an on-premises sign, as defined in the Sign Code.