

Lawrence, Kansas Sign Code Regulations for Temporary Signs in Commercial, Downtown, Industrial, and Hospital Zoning Districts

- Maximum temporary sign display time per calendar year is 45 days for an individual business or tenant space, which can be divided into multiple shorter periods during the year. (e.g., 3 separate 15-day periods, 3 separate 10-day periods and one 15-day period, etc.)
- Maximum area of any freestanding temporary sign is 32 sq. ft.
- Maximum height of any freestanding temporary sign is 9 ft. Feather signs are allowed, but not more than 1 feather sign per lot street frontage. Feather signs may not exceed 9 ft. in height above ground and 16 sq. ft. in area, must be at least 50' from any other free-standing temporary sign on the lot, and must be set back from the ROW by a distance at least equal to the height of the feather sign.
- Maximum number and total area of freestanding temporary signs allowed on a lot at the same time is:
 - o Single tenant lot: Maximum of 2 signs on lots with a single street frontage; maximum of 3 signs on lots with multiple street frontages (maximum of 2 signs on any street frontage). Maximum total allowed sign area for multiple signs is 64 sq. ft.
 - o Multi-tenant lots Maximum of 1 sign for each tenant space; maximum of 4 signs on lots with a single street frontage; maximum of 6 signs on lots with multiple street frontages (maximum of 4 signs on a street frontage). Maximum total allowed sign area for multiple signs is 96 sq. ft.

Note 1: 32 sq. ft. total maximum sign area for lots with less than 160 ft. of public street frontage, or 1 sq. ft. for each 5' of lot public street frontage for lots with 160 ft. or more of public street frontage, not to exceed 64 sq. ft. total for all signs on a single-tenant lot, or 96 sq. ft. total for all signs on a multi-tenant lot.

Note 2: The maximum of freestanding temporary signs allowed is reduced to 2 if the lot also has a permanent changeable EMC sign.
- Minimum distance separation between temporary signs on a lot is 50 ft.
- The maximum number of temporary signs attached to a building wall at the same time is 2 per public street frontage for a single-tenant building and 1 per tenant space for a multi-tenant building.
- The maximum total area of temporary signs attached to a wall at the same time is 5% of the wall area.
- The maximum area of any temporary wall sign is 32 sq. ft.
- Up to 2 temporary signs not exceeding 64 sq. ft. in combined area may be installed on a lot where a building, addition or tenant space is under construction, throughout interim period of construction.

Exemptions from permits (with exceptions to maximum number, size or height noted) in hospital, commercial and industrial zoning districts

- Temporary signs placed on lots for sale or for lease (limited to 1 per lot street frontage), provided they meet other specified temporary sign maximum area and height limitations. *Do NOT count toward maximum calendar year display time or maximum total temporary sign area.*
- Temporary signs not exceeding 8 sq. ft. placed on lots for 50 days prior to and 10 days after the date of a political election, referendum or ballot measure. *Do NOT count toward maximum calendar year display time.*
- Temporary "Minor Signs" as defined in Sign Code (4 sq. ft. or less and intended to convey messages to internal users of the site, and generally not visible from the right-of-way). *Do NOT count toward maximum calendar year display time, maximum number of signs or maximum total temporary sign area.*
- "Portable Pedestrian Signs" (also called sandwich board or A-frame signs), as defined in Sign Code, and meeting specified maximum height and width, design and location criteria, and not displayed during non-business hours. *Do NOT count toward maximum calendar year display time.*