

ZONING

400 Attachment 5

**Borough of Spring Grove**

**Table of Miscellaneous Signs Not Requiring Permits**

<b>Type and Definition of Signs not Requiring Permits</b>	<b>Maximum No. of Signs Per Lot</b>	<b>Maximum Sign Area per Sign (each of 2 sides) on a Lot, Other than a Nonresidential Lot (square feet)</b>	<b>Maximum Sign Area per Sign (each of 2 sides) on a Nonresidential Lot* (square feet)</b>	<b>Other Requirements</b>
Christmas tree sign - advertises the seasonal sale of Christmas trees	2	8	30	Shall only be posted during seasons when such products are actively offered for sale
Charitable event sign - advertises a special event held a maximum of 9 days in any calendar year that primarily is held to benefit a U.S. Internal Revenue Service certified tax-exempt nonprofit organization	2	4	40	Shall be placed a maximum of 30 days prior to event and removed a max. of seven days after event
Contractor's sign - advertises a building tradesperson, engineer or architect who is actively conducting significant work on a particular lot that is not such person's place of business	1 per company working on the site	8	40	Shall only be permitted while such work is actively and clearly underway and a maximum of 10 days afterward; such signs shall not be placed on the lot for more than one year, unless a one-year extension is granted by the Zoning Officer; shall not be illuminated
Directional sign - provides information indicating traffic direction, entry or exit, loading or service area, directions to apartment numbers or parking courts in a development, fire lanes, parking or closely similar information regarding the same lot as the sign is on, and that does not include advertising	No maximum	3, in addition to signs painted on pavement	3, in addition to signs painted on pavement	Directional signs within a residential development shall not be illuminated

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Flag - a banner or pennant made of fabric or materials with a similar appearance that is hung in such a way to flow in the wind and that includes some type of commercial message	2	20	50	Governmental flags and flags without an advertising message are not regulated by this chapter
Garage sale sign - advertises an occasional garage sale/porch sale or auction	2 per event	2 per sign	2 per sign	Shall be placed a maximum of 48 hours before permitted garage sale or auction begins, and be removed max. of 24 hours after event ends
Home occupation sign - advertises a permitted home occupation [see home occupations in § 400-22D(6)]	1	2	8	Shall not be illuminated if within a residential district; shall be set back a minimum of 10 feet from the street right-of-way, unless printed on a mailbox; may be freestanding, attached flat on a building wall or within a window; maximum total height of eight feet
Identification sign - only identifies the name and/or occupation of the resident and/or the name, street address and/or use of a lot, but that does not include advertising	1	1, except two for a principal nonresidential use	6	Maximum height of eight feet
Open house sign - advertises the temporary and periodic open house of a property for sale or rent	2 per event	4	4	Shall be placed maximum of five days before open house begins, and be removed max. of twenty-four hours after open house ends; such sign shall not be posted more than five consecutive days

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Political sign - advertises a person or party seeking political office or a political cause or opinion on a referendum or matter of political concern	No maximum	6 per sign	Maximum total of 60	Shall be placed a maximum of 60 days prior to any election or scheduled vote or referendum to which the sign may relate, and removed a maximum of seven days after such election, vote or referendum; persons posting political signs shall maintain a written list of locations of such signs, unless posting signs on their own property; political signs shall not be placed on property without the prior consent of the owner; if a political sign does not meet these requirements, then it shall be regulated as an off-premises sign
Public services sign - advertises the availability of restrooms, telephone or other similar public convenience	No maximum	2	2	
Real estate sign - advertises the availability of property on which the sign is located for sale, rent or lease	1 per street the lot abuts	6	30	Shall only be placed on the property while it is actively for sale, lease or rent, and shall be removed a maximum of seven days after settlement or start of lease
Service organization/place of worship sign - an off-premises sign stating name of a recognized incorporated service organization or place of worship and that states the place and times of meetings or services and/or an arrow directing persons to such location	2	2	2	Maximum of two such signs per such organization or place of worship

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Special sale signs - temporary banners, flags and other signs that advertise a special sales event or grand opening at a lawful principal commercial business; a portable sign may be used under this provision.	5 per lot	Not permitted	Total of 60 square feet for all such banners, and other temporary signs; no one banner, flag or sign shall exceed 40 square feet	Shall be displayed a maximum of seven consecutive days per event, and a maximum of five events per year; such signs shall not flash, be internally illuminated, or obstruct safe sight distances
Time and temperature sign - with a sole purpose to announce the current time and temperature and any nonprofit public service messages	1	Not permitted	30	
Trespassing sign - indicating that a road is private, that trespassing is prohibited on a lot, or controlling certain activities such as hunting and fishing on the lot	No maximum	2	4r	

**NOTES:**

Abbreviations: “max.” = maximum; “min.” = minimum; “hrs.” = hours.

\* A nonresidential lot shall be considered a lot occupied by a principal commercial, industrial or institutional use.”

In addition, the following types of signs are not regulated by this chapter:

1. Historic sign: memorializes an important historic place, event or person and that is specifically authorized by the Borough or a county, state or federal agency.
2. Holiday decorations: commemorates a holiday recognized by the Borough, county, state or federal government and that does not include advertising.
3. Not readable sign: not readable from any public street or any exterior lot line.
4. Official sign: erected by the state, county, Borough or other legally constituted governmental body, or specifically authorized by Borough ordinance or resolution, and which exists for public purposes.
5. Required sign: only includes information required to be posted outdoors by a government agency or the Borough.
6. Right-of-way sign: posted within the existing right-of-way of a public street and officially authorized by the Borough or PennDOT.