

PENN FOREST TOWNSHIP

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POLITICAL SIGN GUIDELINES

Article references are extracted from the Penn Forest Township Zoning Ordinance effective December 2011.

Article 702.A, item #18 defines a political sign as “A temporary sign which supports candidates for elected office or urges action on a political matter or election.”

Article 704.J Political Signs

1. Temporary political signs shall be prohibited on public property, rights-of-ways of public streets, utility poles and trees. Political signs shall be prohibited on private property if the owner has not granted permission for the sign. A person posting multiple signs shall maintain a list of the locations where the signs were posted.
2. A political sign may also be used to express an opinion on a political matter or issue.
3. Political signs shall be removed a maximum of 7 days after an election if they pertain to an election. In case of doubt, a candidate shall be responsible to remove signs that advertise his/her candidacy.
4. In a residential district, each political sign shall have a maximum total height of 5 feet and a maximum sign area per sign of 6 square feet per side. In any other district, each political sign shall have a maximum total height of 10 feet and a maximum sign area of 16 square feet per side. A maximum of two signs shall be allowed per candidate per lot per street frontage.

ANY SIGN NOT MEETING THESE REQUIREMENTS SHALL MEET THE REGULATIONS FOR AN OFF-PREMISES SIGN (SUCH AS A BILLBOARD).