



13-3-1: GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR ALL SIGNS:

- A. Signs as Structures – Signs are considered structures in their own right, and are therefore also subject to the other codes and ordinances of Roy City governing structures.
- B. Notwithstanding other allowances, requirements or language contained in this Title, the requirements for transition between residential and non-residential zoning districts, as contained in Chapter 10, Section 1031 of the Roy City Zoning Ordinance, shall apply.
- C. Measurement and Area Calculation – The following standards are intended to apply to all signs in all zoning districts.
 1. Height. Height is measured as the distance from the grade at the top back of curb at the property line nearest the sign to the top of the highest point of the sign cabinet, logo or copy. Height measured in this way may vary depending upon the landscaping, but in no case may the combined height of the sign, structure, berm or slope exceed three (3) feet of the stated height allowance for any particular sign.
 2. Width. Width is measured as the distance between the two furthest points of the sign cabinet, sign copy, or the smallest area within which all components of copy could be contained. Any supporting structure of a Monument Sign is not measured as width if the structure is incorporated into the surrounding landscaping design, or is incorporated with other structural or architectural aspects of the site.
 3. Area. Sign area is calculated as the total area of one face or side of the sign cabinet, copy area or the smallest area within which all components of copy could be contained, and shall not include pole covers or other support structures not containing copy. Supporting structure of a Monument Sign is not calculated as sign area if the structure is incorporated into the surrounding landscaping design, or is incorporated with other structural or architectural aspects of the site.
- D. In the event the Director deems that any structure, sign, shelter is unsafe needing immediate repair or removal, the owner shall respond within two (2) hours of notification. If the owner fails to respond the City may enter onto the premises and remove, repair or otherwise remedy the unsafe condition. The owner shall be liable to the City for any expenses or costs, including labor and administrative costs, incurred by the City or its agent in the process of remedying the unsafe situation. The City shall send to the owner an itemized invoice requesting reimbursement for all costs incurred by the City. The owner shall reimburse the City no later than fourteen (14) days after the invoice is sent by the City to the owner. Failure to comply with this section may result in a revocation of the sign permit and/or business license
- E. Signs on Private Property: It shall be unlawful for any person to fasten or attach, paint or place any “sign”, as defines in this Title, upon any private wall, window, door, gate, fence, or sign, or upon any other personal property, without the consent of the owner or lessee, or someone authorized to act on behalf of such owner or lessee.

- F. Signs on Public Property: It shall be unlawful for any person to fasten or attach, paint or place any “sign”, handbill, poster, advertisement or notice of any kind or sort, whether political or otherwise, or to cause the same to be done in or upon any portion the curbstone, lamppost, telephone pole, electric light or power pole, hydrant, bridge or tree, in or upon any portion of any sidewalk, or street. It shall be unlawful to paste, place, paint or attach any “sign” as defines in this Title, upon any building, street, or property of the city. No sign shall be erected on or over public property.

13-3-2: PROHIBITED SIGNS:

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to erect, place, or maintain a sign in the City of Roy except in accordance with the provisions of this title. The following types of signs are prohibited in all districts:
1. Abandoned signs as specified in this title.
 2. Advertising signs for products or sales except as outlined in this title.
 3. Animated signs.
 4. Flashing signs.
 5. Flood zone. No sign shall be permitted within any designated one hundred-year flood area.
 6. Intensely lighted signs. No sign shall be permitted which because of its intensity of light constitutes a nuisance or hazard to vehicular traffic, pedestrians or adjacent properties.
 7. Roof signs.
 8. Spotlights directed into the night sky except as part of an approved promotional period for temporary signs.
 9. Statuary (sign) bearing the likeness or suggestion of any product or logo.
 10. Graffiti
 11. Miscellaneous signs and posters:
 - a. Portable signs on areas except as noted in the Title.
 - b. Canvas signs and banners except as noted in this Title.
 - c. Snipe signs.
 12. Parking of advertising vehicles prohibited. No person shall park any vehicle or trailer on a public right-of-way or public property or on private property so as to be visible from a public right-of-way which has attached thereto or located thereon any sign or advertising device for the sole purpose of providing advertisement of products or directing people to a business or activity located on the same or nearby property. This Section does not apply to standard advertising or identification practices where such signs or advertising devices are painted on or permanently attached to a business or commercial vehicle which is operable, properly licensed and legitimately utilized in said operation or businesses.
 13. Public areas. No sign, handbill or poster, advertisement or notice of any kind or sort, shall be fastened, placed, posted, painted or attached in any way in or upon any curbstone, lamp post,

telephone pole, telegraph pole, electric light or power pole, hydrant, bridge, tree, rock, sidewalk or street, except when the sign is owned by a public agency or constructed by permission of an authorized public agency or required by law.

14. Signs imitating or resembling official traffic or government signs or signals.
15. Sound, odor or visible matter. No advertising sign or device shall be permitted which emits audible sound, odor or visible matter.
16. Traffic hazards. No sign shall be permitted at the intersection of any street in such a manner as to obstruct free and clear vision of motor vehicle operators or at any location where by reason of its position, shape or color it may interfere with or be confused with any authorized traffic sign, signal or device or which makes use of a work, symbol, phrase, shape or color in such a manner as to interfere with, mislead or confuse traffic.
17. Hot or cold air balloons, or inflatables.
18. Off-Premise Sign.

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B. Hand-bills, signs-public places and objects:

1. No person shall paint, mark or write on, or post or otherwise affix, any hand-bill or sign to or upon any sidewalk, crosswalk, curb, curbstone, park strip, street lamp post, hydrant, tree, shrub, tree stake or guard, railroad trestle, electric light or power or telephone or telegraph or trolley wire pole, or wire appurtenance thereof or upon any lighting system, public bridge, drinking fountain, lifesaving equipment, street sign or traffic sign.
2. Any handbill or sign found posted upon any public property may be removed by any of the City Departments. The person responsible for any such illegal posting shall be liable for the cost incurred in the removal thereof and the City is authorized to effect the collection of said cost.
3. Nothing in this Section shall apply to the installation of a metal plaque or plate or individual letters or figures in a sidewalk commemorating an historical, cultural, or artistic event, location, or personality for which the Department has granted a written permit.
4. Nothing in this Section shall apply to the painting of house numbers upon curbs.

13-3-3: MOVING, RELOCATING OR ALTERING OF SIGNS:

- A. No existing sign may be moved or relocated to any other parcel, building, structure or portion thereof, unless the sign complies with all other provisions of this Title,. No existing sign may be moved or relocated on the same parcel, building, structure or portion thereof, unless said sign also complies with all other provisions of this Title.
- B. No existing sign may be altered unless the sign, after alteration, complies with all other provisions of this Title. Alteration includes a change of message or sign legend, or portion thereof, except where such change is a normal increment of the sign function common to signs such as a billboard, theater marquee, reader board, bulletin board.

13-3-4: **MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR:** All signs shall be properly maintained. Exposed surfaces shall be clean and painted, if paint is required. Defective parts shall be replaced. The Director may order the repair or removal of any sign which is defective, damaged, or substantially deteriorated.

13-3-5: **LIGHTING:** Unless otherwise specified by this title, all signs may be illuminated with a maximum brightness of 0.3 foot-candles above ambient light. However, all signs shall be designed, located, shielded, and directed so as to prevent the casting of glare or direct light from artificial illumination upon adjacent publicly dedicated roadways and surrounding property. Any use of a revolving beacon light is prohibited.

13-3-6: **ABANDONED SIGNS:**

- A. Any on premise sign located on property which is vacated by an occupant shall be deemed to have been abandoned.
- B. All abandoned temporary and permanent on premise signs shall be removed within fourteen (14) days of the termination of occupancy.
- C. The structure of all on-premise signs shall be removed within forty-five (45) calendar days of written notice of abandonment is given to the owner, person having control, or person receiving benefit of such structure. Exception; if the sign is a part of a monument sign or a part of a Shopping Center sign, then this refers to the face of the sign and not the entire structure
- D. Appeal. Any person who has been ordered to remove an abandoned sign may appeal the decision of the Director or as outlined within Chapter 28 of Title 10 – Zoning Ordinance