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Rules For Placing Temporary Signs In Pocopson Township

Is your school, league, or non-profit organization planning to advertise an upcoming event, sale, or registration in Pocopson Township? Perhaps you are supporting a candidate or seeking a position in an upcoming election? Whatever the case, if you or your organization is planning to place temporary signs in the Township, there are a few regulations that must be followed to ensure your time and money are not spent in vain.

Section 250-50 of the Code of the Township of Pocopson contains rules and regulations for permitting and installing signs in the Township. The specific regulations are available on the Township website (<http://ecode360.com/6539575>) but below are a few frequently asked questions about placing temporary signs and how they are addressed in the Code.

Please consider these questions and review the Code requirements before installing your temporary signs.

Some Frequently Asked Questions

Do I need to obtain a permit before placing my temporary signs?

It depends.

- *Political candidate signs, referendum or similar signs for an upcoming election do not require a permit.*
- *A permit is required for signs advertising an event, sale, registration or similar activities for governmental, historic, or other non-profit organizations, including schools.*

Are there limitations on the length of time my temporary sign can stay up?

Yes, and the time frame varies depending on the type of sign.

- *Political signs may not be placed more than 30 calendar days prior to an election and must be removed within seven calendar days after the election.*
- *Temporary signs for governmental and non-profit organizations may not be posted more than 21 calendar days prior to the advertised event and must be removed within 5 calendar days after the event date, but in no case more than 30 calendar days.*

Can I place temporary signs advertising my business?

Contractor or artisan signs are permitted, but only one sign may be placed on the property on which the work is being performed and must be removed upon completion of the work. Otherwise, such signs are not permitted

Can I place my temporary sign in the Route 52 Roundabout?

No, temporary signs may not be placed in the grassed island or approaches of the roundabout as this area is part of the public road right-of-way. In fact, temporary signs are not permitted within any public road right-of-way in the Township. A good rule of thumb is to provide at least 12 feet from the edge of the road before placing your sign. Please remember to get the property owner's permission to place your sign.

The above summary is not meant to encompass all the rules and regulations for signs, temporary or permanent, but is meant as a guide for things to consider before planning to install temporary political or event signs in the Township. Please refer to the Township Code for a complete set of rules and regulations before installing any signs. Please contact the Township at (610) 793-2151 if you have any questions.