

## ELECTION SIGNS

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### Do I need a permit to erect elections signs?

**Yes:** If you are a candidate or political party and wish to locate election signs on public property or within street boulevards, you must apply for and obtain a City of Terrace temporary sign permit. As the candidate, you must sign or authorize any election [sign permit application](#). Please visit the City of Terrace office at 5003 Graham Avenue or call 250-615-4022 to apply.

**No:** If you are a home or business owner placing an election sign on your private property, no permit is required.

### What fees are required?

Temporary sign permit application: \$100 + deposit

- Municipal elections deposit: \$100
- Provincial and federal elections deposit: \$300

### Where on public property can I place signs?

*Definition of public property:* Any City-owned property, including City parks or facilities, and City streets and boulevards.

Placing election signs in any park or on public facility property is not permitted, except on the Xpilaxha Trail, from Frank Street to Eby Street, and the Grand Trunk Pathway, from the Sande Overpass to Emerson Street. In this area, the number, size, and spacing of signs is limited, and digging holes or driving stakes into the ground is prohibited.

Signs are allowed on City boulevards. Technically, a boulevard exists along all City streets. However, before placing an election sign in front of a private property, it is recommended the candidate or political party speak to the property owner, particularly in residential areas.

Signs must be spaced at least 10 metres or 34 feet apart.

### Are a maximum number of signs allowed?

A maximum of 30 election signs per candidate or political party are permitted to be placed on public property or on boulevards. Of the 30 election signs permitted, a maximum of 10 are permitted on the Xpilaxha Trail and Grand Trunk Pathway.

There is no limit to the maximum number of election signs located on private property.

### How big can election signs be?

The size of any election sign is not to exceed 1.5 square metres or 16 square feet (approximately 4' x 4').

Signs on the Xpilaxha Trail and Grand Trunk Pathway are not to exceed 0.5 square metres or 5.4 square feet (approximately 2'4" x 2'4").

### When can I begin erecting elections signs?

**Provincial and federal elections:** Signs cannot be erected until the election writ has been dropped and the candidate or political party has applied for and been issued a sign permit by the City.

**Municipal elections:** Sign permit applications will be accepted beginning 36 days before general voting day; signs must not be erected until the City has issued a sign permit to the candidate or political party.

### When do I have to take down election signs?

All election signs must be removed on the day following the general election voting day. Candidates who do not remove their signs within those 24 hours after voting day will lose their elections deposit.



### HOW TO LEARN MORE

See Sections 4.7 and 5.5 of the City of Terrace Sign Bylaw No. 2102-2016 on the City of Terrace website at <https://www.terrace.ca/city-hall/bylaws>