

SIGN REGULATIONS IN THE CITY OF LONE OAK

Generally, the city regulates signs to preserve and promote the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Lone Oak, Texas and the ETJ. We regulate signs for safety, communication efficiency, and landscape quality and preservation and minimize the possible adverse effects of signs on nearby public and private property.

Please read and refer to City Ordinance #169-2019, Sign Regulations on our city website at www.cityofloneoak.com for all detailed regulations, usage, manner of measure, and penalties associated.

Sign types that do require permits –

- Permanent – Pole, roof, wall, window luminated, hanging, projecting, marquee, monument, electronic reader, institutional,
- Luminated (requires electrical permit also); water (requires plumbing permit)
- On-premise/Off-premise (with approval letter from property owner)
- Portable permanent – free-standing, wind devices,
- Signs repaired, refaced, altered, rebuilt, enlarged or replaced, extended, or relocated

Sign types that do not require a permit -

- Traffic and other municipal signs
- Holiday decorations on private property
- Menu boards (non-luminated)
- Grand opening or special sale for any business to display flags, banners, and in connection with grand openings being conducted by said business (must not interfere with sight line for traffic)
- Non-illuminated signs painted on walls or windows of a building.
- Non-illuminated wall signs, not over four (4) square foot in area, displaying the name and profession of the occupant of the building
- Non-illuminated wall or ground signs advertising the sale, lease or rental of the premises on which such sign is located, when in a business or industrial area

- Non-illuminated wall signs not over two (2) feet in height or ten (10) square feet in area, when erected flat against the face of a building
- Signs erected by the municipal, state or federal government for the purpose of public instruction, street or highway designation, control of traffic, and similar uses incidental to the public interest
- Signs of warning, directive or instructional nature erected by a public utility or transportation organization
- Construction signs: Permission is granted as a special privilege to construction companies to erect non-permanent, non-illuminated signs, providing that such signs shall not be erected prior to the issuance of the building permit for the project the signs pertain to. Such signs may be erected and maintained only during the duration of the construction project.
- Special event signs: permission is presumed for civic organizations and other nonprofit organizations to erect signs promoting special events or activities of such organization under the conditions specified
- Temporary real estate signs and temporary real estate directional signs
- Personal property sale signs: Permission is presumed for dwelling occupants of a property for the erection of non-illuminated personal property sale sign
- Political signs: signs shall adhere to State of Texas regulations as they currently exist; non-permanent, non-illuminated signs on private property, with consent of property owner, renter or lessor.
- Freedom of Speech: permission is presumed for the placement of any such sign on private property only
- Garage/Yard Sale Signs – Signs must be removed after the last day of sale

Signs that are NOT ALLOWED -

- Commercial Billboards in City Limits and Lone Oak's ETJ (existing signs exception as of adoption of city ordinance July 2019)
- Signs that confuse motorists or obstruct the view of any traffic sign within the sight line for traffic
- Signs that block or interfere with exits or windows

Any questions regarding signs, please contact City Hall at 903-662-5116.