

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
BERGEN COUNTY**

CAMPAIGN SIGN APPLICATION TO BUILDING DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO
SECTION 194-2(B) OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE

(Submit in person M-F from 9:30-2:30 or by email to building@twpofwashington.us.)

ELECTION DATE: _____

NAME: _____
(Must be an Individual)

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NO.: _____

ISSUE OR CANDIDATE
REFERENCED IN SIGN: _____

I have read and understand the following restrictions regarding campaign signs.

X _____
Signature

§ 194-3. Campaign sign restrictions; prohibited signs. [Amended 3-2-1992 by Ord. No. 92-2]

A. Campaign sign restrictions.

- (1) No campaign sign shall be erected, constructed or maintained on public property.
- (2) No campaign sign shall be erected, constructed or maintained on private property without the consent of the owner thereof or without an application under this chapter having been filed.
- (3) No campaign sign shall be posted on fire hydrants, telephone booths or poles, public utility poles or similar public fixtures, fences or trees.
- (4) No campaign sign shall be erected, constructed or maintained earlier than eight weeks before any election, nor shall any such sign remain longer than one week after such election.
- (5) No campaign sign in excess of 32 square feet shall be permitted. Large signs, constituting signs having more than three square feet to 32 square feet, shall be permitted; provided, however, that no more than six such large signs shall be permitted throughout the Township for any particular position on an issue, candidate or slate of candidates. Small signs, consisting of signs of three square feet or less, shall be unlimited in number. No more than one sign, large or small, shall be erected, constructed or maintained on any parcel of private property constituting a tax lot on the Township Tax Assessment Map.

Your copy of the completed application and proof of submission to the Building Department is your permit. No documents will be issued by the Building Department in response to this application unless the application is deemed incomplete. Please note that the individual as appears on this application shall be responsible for any violation.

Township of Washington, NJ
Tuesday, September 4, 2018

Chapter 194. SIGNS

§ 194-1. Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them by this section:

CAMPAIGN SIGN

A sign which directs attention to an issue, issues, candidate or candidates for public consideration in an election.

[Amended 3-2-1992 by Ord. No. 92-2]

SIGN

Every sign, billboard, outdoor advertising or advertising device for visual communication that is used for the purpose of bringing the subject thereof to the attention of the public, but not including any flag, badges or insignias of any government or governmental agency. A sign shall include any structure or part thereof or any device attached to or painted on a structure, which shall display or include any letter, work, model, banner, flag, pennant, insignia, device or representation used as or which is in the nature of an announcement, direction or advertisement.

TEMPORARY SIGN

A sign erected for a relatively short period of time, which period shall be terminated by the work, event, sale of the premises or produce advertised or occurrence of the event to which it refers.

§ 194-2. Permit required.

[Amended 3-2-1992 by Ord. No. 92-2]

- A. No sign shall hereafter be erected, constructed or maintained except as provided in these requirements and until a permit for the same has been issued by the Building Subcode Official.^[1] The application for a permit shall be in such form as the Building Subcode Official may prescribe and shall include such information and drawings as may be required by the Building Subcode Official for a complete understanding of the proposed sign. No sign permit shall be issued until the written permission of the owner or lessee of the property upon which it is to be erected has been filed with the Building Subcode Official.

[1]: *Editor's Note: See also Ch. 90, Construction Codes, Uniform, § 90-3.*

- B. No campaign sign shall be erected, constructed or maintained until an application for the same has been filed with the Building Subcode Official, which application shall be in a form prescribed by the Building Subcode Official and which shall contain the name, address and telephone

number of the party responsible for such campaign sign. One application shall be sufficient for all campaign signs to be erected, constructed or maintained for a particular election.

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[1]: *Editor's Note: Former Subsection A(6), concerning signs maintained within 10 feet of the street line, was repealed 4-13-1998 by Ord. No. 98-7.*

- B. Prohibited signs. No sign of any kind shall be permitted in any residential district except for campaign signs, temporary signs and such signs as are authorized by any other ordinance or as may be permitted by the Planning Board of the Township of Washington upon application duly made.