

POLITICAL SIGNS

The placement of political signs is subject to regulation. Be sure you know what the restrictions are. For signs within a city, see the City Clerk for information.

APPENDIX A

In the matter of Political Sign Regulations in the Unincorporated Areas of Contra Costa County:

With the exception of signs which are located on legal Commercial Outdoor Advertising Structures, all political signs placed in areas under the jurisdiction of the Contra Costa County Community Development Department are regulated by Contra Costa County Ordinance Code Title 8, Division 88, Chapter 88-6, as follows:

Article 88-6 **Section 88-6.810** **Political Campaign Advertising**

Political signs may be erected or displayed before an election until ten days after the election inclusive.

These signs may not be erected in the right-of-way of any state highway, county highway, or public road or street. (Ords. 92-36)

Other Sections relating to sign placements throughout Contra Costa County:

Article 88-6.8 **Section 88.6.812** **Sign - On Utility Poles**

No person shall post, place, attach, erect, or maintain any sign, poster, advertisement, or any material or object of any kind on a pole, post, wire, or structure maintained under a franchise by a public utility or public service corporation in the right-of-way of any county or public highway.

The director of public works may issue permits for the posting of notices required by law, by order of any court or by the board of supervisors and shall require, as a condition of permit, that the notice be removed within ten days after the expiration of the period for which the notice is being given.

Article 88-6.8 **Section 88.6.618** **Sign - Intersection**

No outdoor advertising structure, except Type IV signs, shall be erected or maintained in such a location or position that operators of motor vehicles who are within one hundred feet of the intersection of any public road with any other public road or any railroad will not have a clear and unobstructed view of the intersection and of any traffic on all of the roads or railroads entering the intersection for a distance of one hundred feet along all the roads or railroads.

If the sight distance at the intersection is already obstructed by building, structure, vegetation or topography, then the outdoor advertising structures may be located within one hundred feet of the intersection, so long as they do not constitute additional obstruction of sight distances.

If you plan to post signs, **you must submit the STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR TEMPORARY POLITICAL SIGNS form to the Department of Transportation**, which will be given to candidates during the nomination period.