



**City of Bexley Chapter 1230 – Signs: NOTE: THIS IS NOT THE ENTIRE LANGUAGE OR REQUIREMENTS – ONLY A SAMPLE**

**Also review conditions and requirements for zoning districts. (\*\*The following is NOT a comprehensive list – just a review)**

TEMPORARY SIGN = banner, pennant, poster or advertising display constructed of cloth, canvas, plastic sheet, cardboard, wallboard or other like material and displayed for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days.

NO permanent sign shall be placed on or above any public right of way except publicly owned signs, such as traffic control signs.

NO sign shall be placed, installed or constructed in such a manner as to obstruct any fire escape or any door or window giving access to a fire escape.

EVERY wall sign or freestanding sign shall be securely attached to the building wall or a suitable metal support by iron or other metal anchors, bolts, supports, chains, cables or steel rods. A sign attached to a building may not extend more than three feet (3') above the roof. All other signs may not extend more than thirty feet (30') in the air measured from the street level. On a corner lot, only one pole shall be permitted within twelve feet (12') of the corner of such lot. (\*see other conditions for corner lots). NO sign shall be attached to, painted on or otherwise displayed on a light standard, fence, wall, post, pole, portable supporting device or other structure.

NOT PERMITTED: flashing signs; moving signs; off-premises signs; co-op signs; self propelled signs; signs on wheels or trailers; signage projected from equipment; changeable copy signs; and air activated or inflatable attractions or devices.

**A. Neighborhood Commercial and General Commercial Zoning District:**

1. Freestanding signs are prohibited
2. Projecting signs are prohibited
3. Permanent window signs shall meet all requirements
4. Temporary window signs - no permit necessary if the following requirements are met: shall not exceed 25% of the size of the window, maximum allowable coverage of all window signs together on any one business is fifty square feet.
5. Wall signs - No more than one wall sign on the front and only one on each side and rear. No wall sign permitted on the side of the building that faces and adjoining residential district. Measurements must be made of the wall area of the building to determine aggregate area of the wall sign, etc. See additional measurement requirements.

**B. Office Commercial Zoning District:**

1. Freestanding Signs – Only one freestanding sign permitted per building. No freestanding sign, including frame/structure, shall exceed thirty-two square feet; total display area on any one property shall not exceed sixty-four square feet. Neither the vertical nor horizontal measurements of any freestanding sign shall exceed fifteen feet in length.
2. Projecting signs – only one projecting sign on the front of the building (as long as no freestanding sign is used). Maximum size of projecting sign shall be twelve square feet on any one side and total display area shall not exceed twenty-four square feet. The horizontal projection shall not exceed six feet in length.
3. Permanent window sign – shall meet all requirements of this chapter pertaining to wall signs.
4. Temporary window sign – shall not require a permit if the following requirement is met: shall not exceed an area of twenty-five percent of the window in which placed, but the maximum allowable coverage for all window signs on any one business is fifty square feet.
5. Wall sign: Not more than one wall sign on the front, only one on each side and rear. No wall sign permitted on the side of the building that faces and adjoining residential district. See additional measurement requirements.

**C. Commercial Service Zoning District:**

1. Freestanding Signs – only one freestanding sign per building. No freestanding sign, including frame/structure shall exceed forty square feet in area on any one side. Total display area of all freestanding signs on any one property shall not exceed eighty square feet. Neither vertical nor horizontal measurements of any freestanding sign shall exceed fifteen feet in length.
2. Projecting Signs – only one projecting sign on the front of the building, provided that no freestanding sign is used. Maximum size shall be twenty-four square feet in area on any one side and total display area shall not exceed forty-eight square feet. The horizontal projection shall not exceed six feet in length.
3. Permanent window signs – Shall meet all requirements of this District pertaining to wall signs.
4. Temporary window signs – shall not require a permit if the following requirement is met: shall not exceed an area of twenty-five percent of the window in which placed, but the maximum allowable coverage for all window signs on any one business is fifty square feet.
5. Wall signs - Not more than one wall sign on the front, only one on each side and rear. No wall sign permitted on the side of the building that faces and adjoining residential district. See additional measurement requirements.

**D. Illuminated/Lighted Signs: See requirements.**

**E. Real Estate Signs:**

1. Not to exceed twelve square feet; located only on the property listed for sale, rent, or lease. Open house sign permitted only during the actual open house and directional sign permitted half our prior and removed within half hour after the actual open house. Signs not permitted on other properties or within public right of way areas.

**F. Temporary Signs: temporary banners, signs or decorative materials permitted only if the following conditions are met:**

1. Banners, signs and decorative materials shall not be displayed for more than thirty days excepting that: such materials announcing a special event shall not be displayed more than fourteen days prior and removed within six days following event. Such signs associated with the "Opening" of a new business may be displayed fifteen days preceding and forty-five days following the opening.
2. Total area of ALL temporary banners, signs and decorative materials shall be limited to total of twenty-five square feet at any one time for any individual business; window signs none shall exceed twenty-five percent of the size of the window in which placed.

**G. "A" Frame Signs: and other portable signs**

1. NO "A" frame signs require a permit prior to being displayed; and/or consent to hold harmless agreement, etc.
2. Only one "A" frame sign permitted.
3. Limited to maximum of six square feet in area, four feet six inches in height from grade, and three feet wide.
4. Display only during business hours of operation of said business; removed from view after hours; not placed in right of way