



## CITY OF LYNDEN

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### Informational Handout on the Rules and Regulations for:

## TEMPORARY NON-COMMERCIAL SIGNAGE

Lynden Municipal Code 19.33.030 defines "Temporary Signs" as "any sign" or advertising display constructed of cloth, canvas, light fabric, paper, cardboard, or other light materials, without frames, which is displayed for a limited time only. Residential yard signs and signs painted or adhered on window surfaces are also considered temporary signs.

Off-premises commercial signs are not permitted anywhere within the city limits. (LMC Section 19.33).

### Public Spaces and Streets

Temporary Signs are permitted in planting strips between the street and sidewalk; however, they are prohibited from being placed within roundabouts, medians, shoulders, or travel lanes that are not accessible by a sidewalk or pedestrian walking path. Furthermore, temporary signs may not be located in the right-of-way adjacent to public property such as a school, park, public utility, or library, unless otherwise approved by the unit of government or special purpose district.

### Permission of Property Owner

No temporary sign may be placed on private property or within the right-of-way abutting private property, without the consent of the property owner or person in control of the property, such as a tenant.

### Safety

1. Temporary signs shall be placed in a manner that is safe for all users of the public right-of-way.
2. Temporary signs shall not block access to structures or parked vehicles.
3. Temporary signs shall not block sight distance at corners or intersections.

### Square Footage Limits

Temporary signs in residential zones are limited in size to four (4) square feet in sign area. Temporary signs in non-residential zones are limited in size to six (6) square feet in sign area.

### Time Frame to Remove Temporary Signs

All temporary signs shall be removed within fifteen (15) days following the event or activity being promoted.