

GUIDE TO TEMPORARY REAL ESTATE SIGNS

Guide Overview

This guide provides helpful information related to temporary real estate signs.

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Code Reference
SMC 21.06.050(G)

ABOUT TEMPORARY REAL ESTATE SIGNS

In 2017 the Sammamish City Council passed Ordinance O2017-436, which includes new regulations related to real estate signs. While most regulations related to temporary real estate signs did not change under the sign regulations adopted under Ordinance O2017-436, there are some changes to the number of allowed signs, permitted sign size, and permitted locations.

GENERAL GUIDELINES – PROPERTY FOR SALE OR RENT

	SIGN PLACEMENT	SIGN QUANTITY	SIGN SIZE & HEIGHT
PROPERTY WITH INDIVIDUAL UNIT FOR SALE OR RENT	On public or private street frontage* Must be removed within 5 days of closing	One sign on each street frontage of the property	Up to 8 square feet & 6 feet high
OPEN HOUSE SIGNS	For active open houses only when agent or seller is at the property	Up to 4 off-premises directional signs per development	Up to 6 square feet & 3.5 feet high
SIGNS RELATED TO NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS WITH HOMES FOR SALE	On public or private street frontage	One temporary sign on each street frontage of the property	Up to 32 square feet & 12 feet high
	On private property (with land-owner permission) or in the public right-of-way	Up to 2 directional signs	Up to 16 square feet & 6 feet high

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EXAMPLES OF TEMPORARY REAL ESTATE SIGNS

Note: all pictures are examples of sign types and are for illustration only

PROPERTY WITH INDIVIDUAL UNIT FOR SALE OR RENT



- One sign may be placed on public or private street frontage.
- Sign may be up to 8 square feet in size and 6 feet in height.
- Sign must be removed within five days of closing of sale, lease, or rental.
- Properties without public street frontage may place one 6 square foot sign in the right-of-way adjacent to the intersection of the property’s primary vehicle entrance and closest public street.
- Signs cannot be placed in front of city owned properties, for example: storm ponds, parks or city hall.

OPEN HOUSE SIGNS



- May place no more than 4 off-premises directional signs for an active open house per development.
- May be placed only when the agent or seller is in attendance at the property for sale or rent.
- May be up to 6 square feet in size and up to 3.5 feet in height.
- May not be placed in medians, traffic circles, or sidewalks, pursuant to [SMC 21.06.050\(G\)](#).
- Signs cannot be placed in front of city owned properties, for example: storm ponds, parks or city hall.

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SIGNS RELATED TO NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS



- One temporary sign on its public or private street frontage allowed.
- May be up to 32 square feet in size and up to 12 feet in height.
- Two directional signs to a new development with homes for sale are allowed either on private property (with permission from the landowner) or in the public right-of-way.
- May be up to 16 square feet in size.
- Signs cannot be placed in front of city owned properties, for example: storm ponds, parks or city hall.