

# Sign Ordinances for AAR Cities

## Arcadia

<http://www.ci.arcadia.ca.us>

### 9261.4.3. REAL ESTATE SIGNS.

One (1) sign not to exceed three (3) feet in height nor four (4) square feet in area per face for the purpose of advertising a property or business for sale, lease or rent. Said *signs* may not be made of canvas, fabric, vinyl plastic or other similar material. The location of all *real estate signs* shall comply with all applicable regulations.

#### Exceptions:

(1) On properties containing five (5) or more acres which are developed with new commercial projects, two (2) temporary *signs* not to exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area each offering to sell, lease or rent the premises on which it is located may be erected and maintained during the period an active sales, lease or rental campaign is being conducted for such commercial project, but in no event for a period longer than six (6) months. Said *signs* may not be made of canvas, fabric, vinyl plastic or other similar material.

(2) On properties containing less than five (5) acres which are developed with new commercial projects, one (1) temporary sign not to exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area offering to sell, lease or rent the premises on which it is located may be erected and maintained during the period an active sales, lease or rental campaign is being conducted for such commercial project, but in no event for a period longer than six (6) months. Said *signs* may not be made of canvas, fabric, vinyl plastic or other similar material. (Added by Ord. 1385 adopted 5-21-68; amended by Ord. 1921 adopted 5-1-90)

## Bradbury

(626) 358-3218

### 9.06.050 Sign Standards

#### 9.06.050.010 – Purpose.

The purpose of this Chapter is to promote the orderly display of signs which are necessary for the identification and transfer of real property within all zones of the City and to provide the standards in order to safeguard life, health, property and public welfare by regulating and controlling the design, construction, illumination, location and maintenance of signs as provided herein.

#### 9.06.050.020 – Applicability.

The Sign Standards provided in this Chapter are intended to apply to signs in each zone district in the City. Only signs authorized by this Chapter shall be allowed in that zoning district unless otherwise provided for by this Code.

#### 9.06.050.030 – Permitted Signs.

No signs shall be permitted or maintained in any zone of the City except as follows:

- A. A name plate or identification sign, either single or double faced, provided that it does not exceed four (4) square feet in area per face; and that such name place or sign shall be limited to not more than the name, address, and telephone number of the persons in residence or owners, and the title or name of the ranch if any.
- B. An unlighted, single faced “For Rent” or “For Sale” sign, provided that such sign relates only to the property upon which it is located and that such sign does not exceed four (4) square feet in area.
- C. No more than one (1) name plate or identification sign and one (1) “For Rent” or “For Sale” sign shall be permitted on any single lot; such sign with reference to the sale of lots in subdivisions shall be removed thirty (30) days after the last lot is sold within one (1) year from and after the recording of the final tract map, whichever period is lesser.

## Duarte

<http://www.accessduarte.com>

#### 19.80.100 Temporary real estate signs.

Temporary real estate signs are intended to promote the sale, lease, or exchange of property or direct potential clients to a property for a sales-related activity (open house). The following regulations shall apply:

(a) Signs shall be attached to a post or stake that is driven into the ground, or to a professionally made A-frame structure. The maximum height of the sign shall be forty-two inches, with a maximum sign area not to exceed six square feet per sign face;

(b) Signs may be posted on private property other than the subject property as long as permission is granted from the affected property owner. The signs shall not create a public hazard;

(c) Limited sign posting shall be permitted on the boundaries of a public park or recreation area. Signs posted in this manner shall not block access or restrict the intended use of the public property;

(d) Signs are not allowed in any public median islands;

(e) Postings are only allowed on public property during daylight hours, and must be removed each evening. Failure to remove the sign will entitle the city to remove the signs at a cost of ten dollars per sign. In cases where unusual effort is taken to remove a sign, the city shall collect from the person responsible a sum equal to the cost of persons and equipment utilized to remove the sign;

(f) The use of flags and balloons is permissible in conjunction with a sign display as long as they do not exceed two feet above the forty-two-inch height limit and are smaller than the sign face area;

(g) Signs may not be attached in any method to any utility pole, traffic signal or device, street sign, or any other similar public object. Velcro or similarly attached signs may be attached to public trees subject to the following regulations:

- (1) No sign shall be placed lower than four feet,
- (2) No sign shall be allowed above the tree skirt,
- (3) No sign shall be attached to any tree with a trunk diameter less than four inches. (Ord. 689 § 4, 1992)

## **Monrovia**

<http://www.ci.monrovia.ca.us>

### **§ 17.28.070 RESIDENTIAL SIGNS – SIGN TYPES AND SIZES.**

Permitted sign types and sizes, all residential zones and residential uses in any PD, Planned Development zone shall be as follows:

(A) Construction sign. One construction sign denoting the architects, engineers, contractors, or other related subjects shall be permitted upon the commencement of construction without Development Review Committee approval and will be permitted until such time as a final inspection of the building(s) designates said structure(s) fit for occupancy. Such signs shall not exceed 12 square feet in surface area on one permitted sign face.

(B) Identification sign. Any parcel of real property containing five or more dwelling units shall be permitted to have displayed thereon one permanent identification sign per street frontage depicting only the name and/or address of the apartment or project upon which such sign is displayed. Such sign shall not exceed six square feet in surface area.

(C) New construction For Rent or For Sale signs. One sign announcing apartments or condominiums for rent or sale may be placed upon land upon which an apartment or condominium building is under construction or which the site plan has been approved. Such signs shall be removed within 30 days after completion of construction. Such v shall not exceed 24 square feet in area.

(D) Real Estate Signs. Real Estate Signs announcing buildings for sale, rent, or lease shall not exceed two signs for any one lot or parcel of property and shall be located on the land to which the signs refer. Said signs shall be allowed without approval by the Development Review Committee. Such signs shall not exceed six square feet in surface area.

(E) Real Estate Signs – Condominiums. Real Estate Signs announcing condominiums for sale, rent, or lease shall not exceed one sign per unit and shall be located on the unit to which the sign refers. Said shall be allowed without the approval of the Development Review Committee. Such signs shall not exceed six square feet in surface area.

(F) Signs and/or nameplates. Signs and/or nameplates shall be permitted, provided that said sign or nameplate shall display only the name of the properties or any trade or professional title

required by the permitted use. The signs shall be allowed without approval of the Development Review Committee. Such signs shall not exceed one square foot in area.

(G) Temporary subdivision signs . One subdivision sign shall be allowed for the purpose of land subdivided for sale into five or more lots when located on the land to which the sign refers, and which sign shall be removed within 30 days of completion of the sales operation.  
(`83 Code, § 17.28.070) (Ord. 94-03 § 6, 1994)

#### § 17.28.080 RESIDENTIAL SIGNS – GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR RESIDENTIAL USES.

(A) All illumination shall be indirectly lighted or shadow-lighted so that the immediate source of the illumination is not visible. No signs shall contain any flashing lights. No lighting shall be a detriment to surrounding property or prevent the peaceful enjoyment of residential uses, nor shall light be displayed in such a manner that potential confusion with traffic lights may exist. No sign shall be lighted by the use of exposed neon tubing or similar type lighting.

(B) Using the minor variance procedure as outlined in this title, the Development Review Committee shall have the authority to approve a larger identification sign than is provided for in this chapter if a finding is made that the larger sign is in architectural harmony with the premises upon which it is to be located and the area of the real property, its public street frontage and/or the number dwelling units or the number of entrances require larger sign surface area to identify the premises adequately.  
(`83 Code, § 17.28.080) (Ord. 94-03 § 6, 1994)

## Sierra Madre

<http://www.sierra-madre.ca.us>

17.72.040 Sign regulations--R-1 and R-2 zones.

A. The following sign types and sizes are permitted without a permit:

1. A nameplate not exceeding one square foot in area containing the name and address of occupant of the premises;
2. One unlighted sign not exceeding six square feet in area pertaining only to the sale, lease or hire of the particular building, property or premises upon which displayed;
3. Historic plaques and markers provided that are approved by the cultural heritage commission.

B. A sign permit shall, however, be required for signs up to twenty square feet in area per side for multiple dwellings, hotels, clubs, lodges, churches, schools, parks and signs approved under a conditional use permit.

C. Signs exceeding twenty square feet per side are prohibited. (Ord. 1205 § 2 (Exh. 1 (part), 2003)

17.72.050 Sign regulations--R-3 zone.

A. The following types and sizes of signs are permitted without a permit:

1. One nameplate per unit not exceeding one square foot in area containing the name and address of occupant of the premises;
2. One sign with the name and address of the building not to exceed two and one-half square feet in area;
3. One sign not to exceed nine square feet in area, pertaining only to the sale, lease or hire of only the particular building, property or premises upon which displayed;
4. One sign not to exceed twelve square feet in area per side giving information on availability of rentals on multiple dwellings, hotels, clubs, lodges, churches, schools, parks.

B. A sign permit shall, however, be required for signs up to twenty square feet in area per side for multiple dwellings, hotels, clubs, lodges, churches, schools, parks and signs approved under a conditional use permit.

C. Signs exceeding twenty square feet per side are prohibited.  
(Ord. 1205 § 2 (Exh. 1 (part), 2003)

17.72.060 Sign regulations--R-P zone.

A. The following types and sizes of signs are permitted without a permit:

1. No Sign Permit. One nameplate per dwelling unit or office not exceeding one square foot in area containing the name and address of the occupant of the premises;
2. One sign with the name and address of the building not to exceed two and one-half square feet in area;
3. One sign not to exceed nine square feet in area pertaining only to the sale, lease or hire of only the particular building, property or premises upon which displayed;
4. One sign not to exceed twelve square feet in area per side, giving information on availability of rentals on multiple dwellings, professional offices.

B. A sign permit shall, however, be required for signs up to twenty square feet in area per side for multiple dwellings, hotels, clubs, lodges, churches, schools, parks and signs approved under a conditional use permit.

C. Signs exceeding twenty square feet per side are prohibited.  
(Ord. 1205 § 2 (Exh. 1 (part), 2003)

17.72.090 Sign regulations--C and M zones.

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, each business shall be limited to not more than two signs.

A. Sign Area. One and one-half square feet of sign area per lineal foot of building frontage.

B. Frontage on Two or More Streets. A business in a building facing on more than one right-of-way shall be allowed the authorized sign area on each street which it faces, provided that the areas may not be accumulated on one right-of-way and shall not exceed the allowed area on any one right-of-way.

C. Sale and Rental Signs. Commercial and manufacturing properties shall be authorized one for sale or rent sign while the property is actually for sale or rent. These signs shall not exceed two square feet in area and shall be designed and located in a manner approved by the development services and public works departments. No permit is required for these signs.

D. Multi-tenant Buildings. Businesses in interior spaces of multi-tenant buildings may have signage at the street access and at their business location, however the total sign area shall not exceed one and one-half square feet per lineal foot of storefront.

E. Generally, only the name or use of the business shall appear on the sign. The use of subordinate information such as telephone numbers, lists of products, pictures of products, etc., are discouraged, but may be considered at the discretion of the development services director. Further, where subordinate information is allowed, the name or use of the business shall be the dominant message and the subordinate information shall not create any vehicular or pedestrian traffic hazards. (Ord. 1205 § 2 (Exh. 1 (part), 2003)

## **Temple City**

(626) 285-2171

### 9322 PERMITS. FEES.

No person shall erect, construct, alter or maintain any sign, including temporary signs, upon any location in the City, without first obtaining a sign permit therefore from the Director, except as hereinafter expressly provided. Permits required hereunder shall be in addition to those required pursuant to any other law, including, but not limited to, the City's Building Regulations.

### 9323 GENERAL REGULATIONS.

- A. Exceptions. Nothing in this Part shall be construed to prohibit the erection of any property of any:
- a. Sign prescribed or required by law;
  - b. Sign owned by any governmental agency;
  - c. Temporary political sign;
  - d. Temporary real estate sign, relating only to the lot on which it is located;
  - e. Signs customarily used by public utilities in the performance of their lawful functions;
  - f. One unlighted double-faced, or two unlighted single-faced, free standing signs, not to exceed a total of 60 square feet of sign area each, utilized in connection with

the sale of lots or dwelling units in a subdivision. Such signs shall be removed 30 days after the last lot is sold or within one year from and after the recording of the final tract map, whichever period is the lessor;

- g. Temporary signs customarily used in conjunction with construction projects, provided that no such sign shall be in excess of 32 square feet in area and no freestanding sign shall exceed 12 feet in height. All such signs shall be removed within 30 days after completion of the project and issuance of an occupancy permit. No permits shall be required for signs referred to herein.
- B. Nature of Copy. No sign shall be permitted advertising or displaying any immoral or unlawful act, business or purpose, nor any product or service other than that permitted as an on-premises sign.
- C. Public Property. No sign of any kind, shall be erected upon or over any public street, sidewalk, parking lot or other public place or way without the consent of the City Council, except as otherwise provided by law.
- D. Location. Permitted free-standing signs may be located on any part of the lot. No sign shall be erected in such a manner that any portion of the sign, or its support, is attached to, or will interfere with, the free use of any fire escape or standpipe, or obstruct any stairway, door, ventilator, or window.
- E. Interference with Traffic. No sign shall be erected in such a manner that it will, or may reasonably be expected to, interfere with, obstruct or confuse or mislead traffic.