

Wall & Freestanding Sign



This is a brief summary of the Sign Ordinance. For additional information regarding the ordinance,

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Freestanding Sign Allowable Area

Street Frontage (ft)	Max Area (ft ²)
0-50	25
50-100	50
101-150	75
151-200	100
201-250	125
251-300	150
301-350	175
351-400	200
401-450	225
451-500	250
501-550	275

Freestanding Sign Setback Requirements

Distance between curb & sign	Allowable height
12	8
15	10
18	12
21	14
24	16
27	18
30	20
33	22
36	24
39	26
42	28
45	30
48	32
51	34

License & Bond

- All signs erected inside the city must be erected by a person holding a City of Nacogdoches Sign Contractor's license.
- Sign Contractor's license fee is \$50.
- All Sign Contractors must provide the City of Nacogdoches with a \$2000 bond.
- Sign Contractors who install signs without first obtaining permits may have their license revoked.

Fees

- \$25 Base fee
 +\$0.25 / sq. ft. of sign area
 +\$10 / ft. of sign height

Wall Sign Allowable Area

- Wall signs may have a maximum size of 1.5 square feet for each 1 linear feet of building frontage.
- Signs on gas station canopies may include the logo and business name on no more than 3 sides. The total area of the signs shall not exceed 30 sq. ft.

In General

- The Sign Ordinance applies to all signs within the City of Nacogdoches and its ETJ.
- All signs that are electrically operated or contain electrical components must also obtain an additional permit.
- All signs shall be designed to withstand 90 mph winds.
- All illuminated signs must conform with the outdoor lighting ordinance,
- Signs erected in Historic Districts must first be approved by the Historic Landmark Preservation Committee.

Prohibited Signs

- The following types of signs are prohibited in all districts:
- Abandoned signs
 - Snipe signs or signs attached to trees, utility poles, public benches, or streetlights.
 - Signs placed on vehicles or trailers which are parked or located for the primary purpose of displaying the sign. This does not apply to lettering on buses, taxis, or vehicles operating during the normal course of business.
 - Portable and trailer signs, except those permitted prior to November 8, 2000. All portable sign permits will expire December 31, 2007.
 - Off premises signs.
 - Signs painted on rooftops.
 - Signs with flashing, traveling, or blinking lights or erratic or moving parts.
 - Any sign which emits sound, odor, or visible matter.
 - Searchlights.
 - Signs on public right-of-way

Signs Not Requiring Permits

- Legal notices and address numbers.
- On-premises signs not visible from a public street or under 4 sq. ft. which direct the flow of traffic.
- Construction signs less than 32 sq. ft. Must be removed within 30 days after issuance of a CO.
- Holiday decorations.
- Political signs.
- Real estate signs.
- Window signs.
- Official flags of the corporation. When flags become tattered or faded, they must be removed or replaced.
- Special event signs. The City must be notified prior to placement. Signs may be placed 14 days prior to an event and must be removed 2 days after event. The event must be sponsored by a non-profit organization.
- Community support signs.
- Real Estate Signs

Fees

- Banners
 - \$25 per permit
 - 1 permit for each sign
- Temporary Changeable Advertisements
 - \$25 per permit
 - 1 permit for each sign
- Pole Banners
 - \$25 per permit
 - 1 permit for each location
- Balloon or Inflatable Signs
 - \$25 per permit
 - 1 permit for each sign
- Pennants and Festoons
 - \$25 per permit
 - 1 permit for each location

Banner Sign Maximum Area

Frontage (Feet)	Max Area (Feet ²)
0 – 100	25
101 - 200	50
201 - 300	75
301 - 400	100
401 - 500	125
501 - 600	150

- Banners
 - Must be mounted on a building face.
 - 1 per building face for each occupancy
 - 8 permits per year.
 - Each permit is good for 30 days.
- Temporary Changeable Advertisements
 - 1 displayed per occupancy
 - 2 permits per occupancy per year.
 - Each permit is good for 6 months.
 - All must be securely fastened to a permanent structure.
- Pole banners
 - 2 banners per pole
 - Max of 24 sq. ft. of banners per pole
 - Must be hung with 14 ft. of clearance and not taller than 20 ft.
 - 1 banner per 50 parking spaces
 - On privately owned poles
 - 80 ft. between banner poles
 - Permit 1 time per year per occupancy or each time banners are changed.
- Balloon or inflatable signs
 - Must be anchored so that it cannot interfere with pedestrians or traffic.
 - Devices cannot be displayed for more than 18 consecutive hours in any 24 hour period.
 - 1 permit per year per occupancy.
 - Permits good for 10 days.
- Pennants and Festoons
 - Must have at least 14 ft of ground clearance.
 - Devices missing 10% or more must be removed or replaced.
 - Must be permitted once per year, or each time they are replaced.



Minor Sign Ordinance Summary



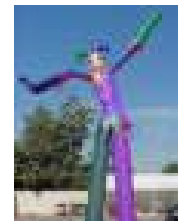
Banner Sign



Temporary Changeable Advertisement



Pole Banners



Inflatable Sign



Festoons



Pennants

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- Community support signs
- Signs such as menu boards which are not visible from public streets.
- Signs on outdoor machines, devices or equipment.
- Special event signs. The City must be notified prior to placement. Signs may be placed 14 days prior to an event and must be removed 2 days after event. The event must be sponsored by a non-profit organization.