

SIGNS PROHIBITED IN PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND ON TOWN PROPERTY

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ARTICLE 907 SECTION 02

§ 907.02

Signs in public right-of-way and on Town property.

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(a) Unless a permit has been issued and is valid in accordance with the provisions contained elsewhere in this Code, all signs are prohibited:

- (1) On any utility poles or structures within the public right-of-way lines.
- (2) On property of the Town of McCandless, except at official voting sites on dates established for local municipal, state or federal elections.

Termination points are located at the base of a barrier curb, wedge curb or other type of curb, or where the surfacing meets a grass or landscaped area.



Definition of Terms

“Cartway” shall mean that portion of a street which is improved by surfacing with permanent or semi-permanent material and is intended for vehicular traffic and shall be measured from the termination points of the surfacing material.

a) **Signs shall be permitted only on private property.**

Signs may not be placed within the public right-of-way or on public property.

In cases where a resident does not have specific knowledge of the location of the right-of-way line, signs which are placed at least five (5) feet from the cartway by or with the permission of the property owner shall be presumed to be on private property and shall be permitted.

Allowed

1. Private Property with permission only
2. Must be located at a minimum of 5 feet from Cartway (Interior edge of roadway)

Not Allowed

1. On public rights-of-way: examples are as follows
 - Along the side of roadways
 - Attached to PENNDOT signs or poles
 - In median islands
2. On utility poles of any kind

In general: If you do not have permission from the property owner, you may **not** place a sign.

OBJECTS IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY

Improper Placement of Signs

Signs should be at minimum of 5 feet from the cartway



Along Roadways



Traffic Islands



Telephone Poles

OBJECTS IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY

Proper Placement of Signs



§ 907.03

Declaration of nuisance; sign removal, storage and return

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(a) Public nuisance. Any violation of this article is hereby declared to be a nuisance.

(b) Sign removal procedure. Any sign found to violate § 907.01(b) or 907.02 may be removed by any Town employee duly authorized by the Town Manager or his/her designee, subject to the enforcement procedures contained herein. If the sign is located upon a state or county right-of-way, the Town may remove the sign with the permission of the state or county.

(c) Sign notice, storage and return. Upon removal of any sign in violation of § 907.01(b) or 907.02, a designated employee of the Town shall keep a record of the location from which the sign was removed. Further, a reasonable attempt shall be made to contact the owner by telephone. If such attempt is successful, the owner shall be notified of the removal and of the location where the sign may be retrieved. If telephone contact is not achieved, written notice of the violation and the retrieval location may, but is not required to, be provided. In either case, the Town shall store any removed sign for at least 10 days. After expiration of the ten-day period, the Town shall be permitted to destroy or discard any sign.