



SIGN ON PUBLIC PROPERTY
TEMPORARY SIGN PERMIT APPLICATION

1. Name of Applicant _____
2. Address _____

3. Telephone No.: _____
4. Purpose of Sign _____

5. Exact Location of Sign(s) _____

6. Copy of Sign to be Posted _____

7. Duration of the Event to Which the Sign Pertains _____

8. Number of Signs with Maximum Limit of 10 _____

- **SIGNS MUST BE REMOVED WITHIN 48 HOURS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THIS EVENT**
- **A DEPOSIT OF \$100.00 IS REQUIRED TO GUARANTEE REMOVAL OF SIGNS WITHIN 48 HOURS**

VILLAGE OF CHESTNUT RIDGE
LOCAL LAW NO. 5 OF THE YEAR 1988

A local law **PROHIBITING THE POSTING AND DISPLAY OF POLITICAL AND OTHER SIGNS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY**

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Chestnut Ridge as follows:

Section 1. Legislative intent.

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Chestnut Ridge finds and declares it to be the public policy of the Village to prohibit the posting and display of political and other signs on public property in order to protect the public health, comfort, and welfare of the residents of the Village and to prevent the physical appearance of the Village from becoming aesthetically offensive.

Section 2. Definitions.

For the purpose of this local law the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meaning given herein. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

PERSON – Any individual, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company or organization of any kind.

SIGN – Any bill, poster, placard, announcement, handbill, flyer, painting, drawing, structure or other similar configuration or object in any form whatsoever, or any part thereof, which contains printed or written matter in words, symbols or pictures, or in any combination thereof. The term SIGN does not include the flag, pennant or insignia of any nation, group of nations or of any governmental agency, nor does it include signs posted or erected pursuant to and in the discharge of any governmental function or required by any law, ordinance or governmental regulation.

PUBLIC PROPERTY – All publicly-owned property, including highways, streets, sidewalks, rights-of-way, easements, public grounds, parks, school property, or any other public property, posts, hydrants, trees, street lamps, utility poles or traffic signs situated on public property, and anything affixed thereto and thereover.

TEMPORARY SIGN- A SIGN erected for a relatively short period of time, which period shall be terminated by the event or occurrence of the event to which it refers.

Section 3. Signs on public property prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to post or display any sign on or over or attached to any structure or other thing on or over any public property.

Section 4. Exceptions

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 3 of this local law, temporary political signs, temporary garage sale signs and temporary signs of any educational, charitable, philanthropic or religious organization relating to a specific event, fund raising drive, or similar campaign shall be permitted to be posted on public property provided that the procedures and limitations set forth in this Section are followed:

- a. Prior to the placement of any temporary sign on public property by any person, such person shall file with the Village Clerk-Treasurer a notice that said person intends to post or display a sign, said notice to contain the following information:
 1. Name of applicant;
 2. Address and telephone number of applicant;
 3. Purpose of sign;
 4. Exact location or locations of placement of sign;
 5. Copy of sign to be posted;
 6. Duration of the event to which the sign pertains.
 7. Number of signs with maximum limit of 10.
- b. Accompanying the notice described above shall be the payment of a security deposit in the amount of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars as a guarantee that each and every sign will be removed by the applicant within forty-eight (48) hours immediately following the event to which the sign pertains.
- c. In the event removal of the temporary sign is not effected within said forty-eight (48) hour period, the Village of Chestnut Ridge shall have such signs removed from the public property on which they have been posted and the security deposit shall be forfeited.
- d. No temporary sign other than political signs shall be posted more than seven (7) days prior to the event to which the sign pertains. Political signs shall not be posted more than forty-five (45) days prior to the election to which the sign pertains.
- e. The size of the sign area of such signs shall not exceed two (2) feet by three (3) feet measured from the outer edges of such sign nor shall the top of such sign be higher than three (3) feet above the ground area to which it is attached or on which it is situated.

Section 5. Violations and penalties.

- a. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision c of Section 4 of this local law, any person who refuses, fails or neglects to comply with the provisions of this local law shall be guilty of a violation. Each and every violation of this local law shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars for Each day said violation continues and/or a sentence of imprisonment not to exceed fifteen (15) days.

- b. In addition to all other remedies provided for herein, the Board of Trustees may also enforce obedience to this local law by injunction or by any other remedy available to it by virtue of the judicial process.
- c. In addition to any other remedies provided for herein the Board of Trustees may authorize any Village officer, employee, agent or other person to remove any signs on public property that do not comply with the provisions of this local law.

Section 6. Severability.

The invalidity of any section, clause, sentence or provision of this local law shall not affect the validity of any other part of this local law which can be given effect without such invalid part or parts.

Section 7. Effective date.

This local law shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED: May 19, 1988

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July 17, 1997
October 18, 2007