



TEMPORARY SIGN PERMIT

Required for proposed sign located within the jurisdiction area of the Town of River Bend Zoning Ordinance Section 15.02.098. The Zoning Ordinance is available for inspection or purchase at the Town Office.

1. Permit Number: _____
2. Applicant:
Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
3. Site Location (if other than applicant):
Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
Location of Sign _____
4. Zoning of site _____
5. Sign Specifics:
Height _____ Width _____ Square footage _____
Illumination (Interior or Exterior) _____
Number of signs _____
Date(s) needed: From: _____ To: _____
6. Enclose drawing of sign showing dimensions, sizes, colors, lettering and materials to be used or, for signs promoting charitable causes, local or special events of interest to the residents of the town, please give a brief description of the sign: _____

7. Craven County permit required: Yes No

The applicant confirms that the above information is correct and agrees to comply with the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance Section 15.02.098 of the Town of River Bend and other ordinances and laws affecting the proposed sign.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Issuance of this permit reflects only compliance with applicable provisions of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of River Bend and does not address compliance with any other governmental or contractual requirements to which the property or project may be subject.

Zoning Administrator

Date

Section 15.02.098 CERTAIN TEMPORARY SIGNS; PERMIT EXEMPTIONS AND ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS.

(A) The following temporary signs are permitted without a zoning, special use, conditional use or sign permit. However, these signs shall conform to the requirements set forth below as well as all other applicable requirements of this subchapter except those contained in Section 15.02.101 and 15.02.103.

(1) *Signs containing the message that the real estate on which the sign is located (including buildings) is for sale, lease or rent, together with information identifying the owner or agent.* Real estate signs advertising residential properties shall not exceed 4 square feet in area and shall not be illuminated. Real estate signs advertising commercial property shall not exceed 32 square feet in area and shall not be illuminated. All real estate signs shall be removed within 10 days of sale, lease or rental. Only 1 real estate sign is permitted for each property with the exception of properties abutting waterways or the golf course, which may have 2 signs.

(2) *Construction site identification signs.* These signs may identify the project, the owner or the developer, architect, engineer, contractor, and subcontractors and funding sources and may contain related information. Not more than 1 sign may be erected per site and may not exceed 32 square feet in area. These signs may be erected no more than 30 days prior to the issuance of a building permit, and shall be removed within 10 days after the issuance of the final occupancy permit.

(3) *Displays of a non-commercial nature, including lighting, erected in connection with the observance of holidays.* These signs shall be removed within 10 days following the holiday or established holiday season.

(4) *Signs erected in connection with elections or political campaigns.* These signs must be erected on private property with the owner's permission and no signs shall be erected on public rights of way or utility poles. These signs shall not exceed 4 square feet in area and shall be erected no earlier than 14 days prior to election day. They shall be removed within 24 hours after election day by the property owners upon whose property they are erected. On election day, political or campaign signs may be erected in the specially designated area of Town Hall. The candidates are responsible for the removal of those signs within 24 hours of the closing of the election polls.

(B) Temporary signs cannot be located within street rights of way or public property unless approved by the Town Council or its designee. In no case shall a sign be located less than 15 feet from the edge of the pavement. When it is not possible to locate a sign 15 feet from the edge of the pavement as required, a waiver may be requested and the Town Zoning Administrator shall view the site where the sign is to be displayed and make a determination in writing. One copy shall be given to the applicant, 1 copy to the Police Department and 1 copy retained in the files of the Zoning Administrator.

(C) (1) Temporary signs promoting charitable causes, local or special events of interest to the residents of the town may be erected upon approval from the Zoning Administrator who will review the reason for the sign, proposed location and size.

(2) Signs shall be erected no sooner than 10 calendar days prior to the event and removed within 2 calendar days after the close of the event.

(3) The signs shall not be in place for a period exceeding 30 calendar days.
Penalty, see Section 1.01.999

SECTION 15.02.101 TOTAL SIGN SURFACE AREA.

(A) Unless otherwise provided in this subchapter, the total surface area devoted to all signs on any lot shall not exceed the limitations set forth in this section. Temporary signs shall not be included in this calculation. Freestanding signs, while included in this calculation, are subject to maximum sizes as contained in Section 15.02.102.

(B) Unless otherwise provided in this subchapter, the maximum sign surface area permitted on any lot in a residential zoning district is 2 square feet.

(C) Subject to other provisions of this subchapter, the maximum sign surface are permitted on any lot in an area zoned BD, BD-PD, or ID as set forth in this Zoning Chapter shall be determined by the following charts:

Where the Speed Limit is 50 mph or Greater

<i>Property Frontage (linear feet)</i>	<i>Maximum Sign Surface (square feet)</i>
100 or less	54
101 - 125	56
126 - 150	67
151 - 175	79
176 - 200	90
201 - 225	101
226 - 250	112
251 - 275	124
276 - 300	135
301 - 325	146
326 - 350	157
351 - 375	169
376 or more	180

Where the Speed Limit is Less than 50 mph

<i>Property Frontage (linear feet)</i>	<i>Maximum Sign Surface (square feet)</i>
200 or less	54
201 - 225	56
226 - 250	63
251 - 275	69
276 - 300	75
301 - 325	81
326 - 350	87
351 - 375	94
376 or more	100

(D) If a lot has frontage on more than 1 street, then the owner shall designate which street frontage constitutes the primary street frontage of the property and shall receive 100% of the allowable

sign surface area for the street. For that street frontage that is deemed to be secondary, the owner shall receive up to 50% of the total sign surface.

(E) In a commercial shopping center consisting of 3 or more units that share common party walls, the developer or owner of the shopping center may determine the sign surface area requirements by following the provisions outlined above in division (C) above concerning lot frontage or by using a building frontage calculation in which 1 square foot of signage is allowed for each square foot of retail frontage.

(F) The sign surface area of any sign located on a wall or a structure shall not exceed 25% of the total surface area of the wall of a building from end to end.
Penalty, see Section 1.01.999

SECTION 15.02.103 NUMBER OF FREESTANDING SIGNS.

(A) Except as authorized in this section, no development (e.g shopping center, office complex) may have more than 1 freestanding sign.

(B) If a development is located on a corner lot that has at least 200 feet of frontage on each of the 2 intersecting public streets, then the development may have not more than 1 freestanding sign on each side of the development bordered by those streets.

(C) If a development is located on a lot that is bordered by 2 public street that do not intersect at the lot's boundaries (double front lot), then the development may not have more than 1 freestanding sign on each side of the development bordered by these streets.
Penalty, see Section 1.01.999