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**REGULATION FOR POLITICAL SIGNAGE**  
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**Voting signs cannot be located within 100 metres of a voting place on voting days.**

**Voting signs may only be placed during the campaign period starting September 17, 2022 and must be removed 7 days after the day of Election (October 23, 2022)**

**ZONING BYLAW NO. 1726, 2018**

(Excerpted and Summarized for Convenience)

**SCHEDULE 'A' - 200 - Interpretation – Bylaw No. 1726, 2018**

**POLITICAL SIGN** means a sign promoting a political candidate, party, or issue.

**SIGN** means an identification, description, illustration, contrivance, or device visible from a public place that is intended to direct attention to a product, service, place, activity, person, institution, business, or solicitation.

**SIGN AREA** means the area of the sign(s) within a perimeter that forms the outside shape including any frame that forms an integral part of the display.

**SIGN COPY AREA** means the area(s) of the smallest geometric figure(s) that encloses the wording on a sign surface.

**SIGN HEIGHT** means the greatest vertical distance from the average finished ground elevation at the base of the sign to the highest point on the sign

**SCHEDULE 'E' - SIGNAGE – Bylaw No. 1726, 2018**

**GENERAL REGULATIONS**

3 Permitted Signs

- (1) Signs are permitted to be located on a parcel of land only if they advertise a product, service, place, activity, person, institution, or business located on the same parcel.
- (2) Subject to the regulations contained within this Bylaw, the following signs are permitted to be located on any parcel of land:
  - (a) business signs
  - (b) construction signs
  - (c) directional signs
  - (d) government and civic signs
  - (e) home occupation signs
  - (e) bed-and-breakfast signs



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- (f) "neighbourhood watch" signs
- (g) political signs**
- (h) real estate signs
- (i) seasonal and holiday signs
- (j) temporary development signs

#### 4 Signs Exempt from Permits

Where such signs are in compliance with the other provisions of this Schedule, the following signs may be installed without a permit issued by the District.

- (a) directional signs
- (b) government and civic signs
- (c) "neighbourhood watch" signs
- (d) political signs**
- (e) real estate signs
- (f) seasonal and holiday signs

#### 5 Prohibited Signs

The following signs on any parcel of land are prohibited:

- (a) animated signs
- (b) billboards
- (c) flashing signs
- (d) off-premise signs
- (e) portable/temporary signs
- (f) roof signs

#### 6 Sign Area

The sign area must not be greater than

- (a) 0.4 m<sup>2</sup> (4.306 sq. ft.) for home occupation and directional signs,
- (b) 0.4 m<sup>2</sup> (4.306 sq. ft.) for a bed-and-breakfast sign,
- (c) 1.0 m<sup>2</sup> (10.76 sq. ft.) for directional signs and for real estate and **political signs** located in a Residential zone,
- (d) 3.0 m<sup>2</sup> (32.29 sq. ft.) for real estate and **political signs** located in other than a Residential zone,
- (e) 3.0 m<sup>2</sup> (32.29 sq. ft.) for farm business identification signs, and
- (f) 6.0 m<sup>2</sup> (64.58 sq. ft.) for construction signs and temporary development signs.



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### 7 Number of Signs

- (1) One (1) farm business identification, home occupation, or real estate sign is permitted to be located on a parcel of land.
- (2) One (1) construction sign is permitted on a construction site or project regardless of the number of parcels of land involved.
- (3) One (1) temporary development sign is permitted on a development project site regardless of the number of parcels of land involved except when there is a multi-family or commercial development nested within a larger comprehensive development.

### 8 Illumination

Farm business identification, home occupation, real estate, and **political signs** must not be illuminated.

### 9 Setbacks

- (1) Free-standing signs must be set back from all property lines by at least 1 m (3 ft.-3 in.).
- (2) Despite subsection 9(1), a free-standing sign must not be located within a distance of 6 m (19 ft.-8 in.) from:
  - (a) a lot corner adjacent to the intersection of two public highways; and
  - (b) a lot corner adjacent to a public highway and common to two lots.

### 10 Construction Standards

- (1) Wall signs more than 8 cm (3 in.) thick must
  - (a) be attached to the wall at a height of not less than 2.5 m (8 ft.-2 in.) above the finished grade of any sidewalk or ground surface immediately thereunder, and
  - (b) be not less than 4.5 m (14 ft.-9 in.) above the finished grade of any driveway, lane, or parking space immediately thereunder.
- (2) Projecting signs must
  - (a) be located only within the centre one-third portion of the building façade,
  - (b) not project beyond any wall surface more than 5 cm (2 in.) for each 0.3 m (1 ft.) of building frontage to a maximum projection of 2 m (6 ft.-7 in.),
  - (c) be located at a height of not less than 3 m (9 ft.-10 in.) above the finished grade of any sidewalk or ground surface immediately thereunder and not less than 4.5 m (14 ft.-9 in.) above the finished grade of any driveway, lane, or parking space immediately thereunder, and
  - (d) not encroach on any space immediately above a public roadway.



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- (3) Construction signs and temporary development signs must not have a height exceeding 4.0 m (13 ft.-1 in.).

11 Maintenance

- (1) All signs must be properly maintained.
- (2) Any sign located on a property which becomes vacant and unoccupied for a period of six (6) months, and any sign which pertains to a time, event, or purpose which no longer applies, is deemed to have been abandoned and must be removed by the owner of the land within thirty (30) days of receipt of written notification by the District.

**TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAY REGULATION BYLAW NO. 1549, 2009**

(Excerpted and Summarized for Convenience)

21. SIGNS

- a. No person shall tear down, remove, displace, or in any way interfere with any traffic sign or guidepost erected on any highway by the District of Coldstream, or by any person with approval of the Council.
- b. No person shall erect, place, maintain, or display upon or in view of any highway any unauthorized sign, signal, marking, or device which purports to be or is an imitation of or resembles any traffic control sign or traffic sign, or which hides from view or interferes with the effectiveness of any authorized traffic control device.
- c. No person shall, unless with permission by resolution of the Council, erect, place, maintain, or display on, over or adjacent to any highway any unauthorized sign or other form of advertising.
- d. The Director of Engineering Services may order the alteration, repainting, tearing down or removal of any sign, advertisement or guidepost erected or maintained on or over any highway and in the exercise of this authority no compensation shall be paid to any person for loss or damage resulting from the alteration, repainting, tearing down or removal of any sign, advertisement or guidepost placed upon or over any highway.
- e. The Council may from time to time by resolution designate the location of such signs as the Council deems necessary to identify school speed zones.
- f. The Council may from time to time by resolution designate the location of such signs as the Council deems necessary to identify playground speed zones.
- g. The Council may from time to time by resolution direct that warning and pedestrian signs which in their opinion are deemed advisable be erected.
- h. The Director of Engineering Services or any Peace Officer may erect or place a temporary traffic control device at any time or place, in the interest of public safety.