

Political Signs Guidelines – 2013 Election

General Guidelines

- Political signs may be posted no earlier than 60 days before the election (September 7).
- Political signs must be removed within 7 days of the election (November 12).
- Political signs may be no larger than 16 square feet for a 2-sided sign (8 square feet per side) or 8 square feet for a 1-sided sign.
- Any sign found in violation may be removed by the City of Spartanburg.

Location Guidelines

- Signs shall not be placed between sidewalk and road.
- No signs shall be placed in any median.
- If no sidewalk, sign should be placed behind utility poles.
- If utility poles are behind sidewalk, signs should be behind utility poles.
- If no sidewalk or utility poles, signs should be approximately 10 feet from road edge.
- Signs cannot be placed in any city right-of-way, any intersection, or beside any street sign.

City Zoning Ordinance 503.6 Political Signs

Political signs shall mean any sign advocating or supporting a political candidate or political view defined as any matter upon which an election, general or special, is held.

Political signs shall be permitted on private property for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days before the applicable election and seven (7) days after the election.

Political signs shall not exceed a total of sixteen (16) square feet (eight (8) square feet per side of a two-sided sign or two (2) feet by four (4) feet).

Political signs shall not be placed on public property or on public right-of ways, except when a portion of the right-of-way is maintained by a private property owner, provided that the private property owner consents to the placement of a political sign.

Any sign that the city determines to be a visual obstruction shall be removed.