

Auburn Residents' Guide to Signs

The Auburn Municipal Code and the City of Auburn Zoning Ordinance set forth regulations regarding all signage within the Auburn city limits. Residents should familiarize themselves with these regulations. By working together, we can help ensure the legal, safe, and attractive placement of signs throughout the City and help keep Auburn beautiful.

Yard/Garage/Estate Sale Signs

Yard/Garage/Estate Sale signs are allowed on the property in which the sale is taking place. A sign may be placed in the yard of the sale on the day of the event and must be removed at its completion. Signs are prohibited outside the boundaries of an individual's property, including utility poles, street signs, and in the right-of-way.

Home-Based Businesses

Signs advertising a home-based business are prohibited throughout the City of Auburn.

Real Estate Signs

All real estate signs must be located only on the property that is for sale, lease, or rent. Off-premise real estate signs, such as directional signs to the property, are prohibited. One real estate sign, not exceeding six (6) square feet, is permitted to face each street adjacent to the property that is for sale, lease, or rent. These regulations also pertain to For Sale by Owner signs.

Model Homes/Open House signs cannot exceed six (6) square feet in area and shall not be displayed at any time when the property is not available for public viewing.

Signs on Utility Poles and Traffic Signs

Signs and posters are prohibited from being posted on utility poles or traffic signs anywhere in the City of Auburn.

Signs in the Public Right-of-Way

Signs are prohibited from being posted in the public right-of-way throughout the City of Auburn. Real Estate signs and Now Hiring signs are permitted only within the boundaries of a business or individual's property. No signs may be placed outside the boundaries of a business or individual's property line.

Hazard/Prohibition/Warning Signs

"No Trespassing", "No Parking", "Beware of Dog" signs, and the like, are permitted inside the boundaries of a business or individual's property line. These signs shall not be located in the public right-of-way, on utility poles, or attached to trees, rocks or other natural features.

Political Signs

- Signs may not be placed earlier than thirty days prior to the election date.
- Signs may not be placed in the public right-of-way; on any structures in the right-of-way, including utility poles and traffic signs; in road medians; or any property owned by the City of Auburn or Auburn City Schools.
- Signs are limited in size to a maximum of thirty-two square (32) feet.
- It is the candidate's responsibility to ensure that the volunteers who distribute and erect political signs are doing so in compliance with these regulations.
- Signs must be removed within seven (7) days after the election.