



ZONING CERTIFICATE QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE FOR COMMON PERMANENT SIGNAGE REQUESTS

Including, but not Limited to Freestanding, Wall and Directional Signs
(Please note: this list is not all-inclusive but does include most common signage reviewed by the Township)

What is a sign?

The Anderson Township Zoning Resolution designates a sign as any device and its supporting structure, including any writing, word, number, pictorial, illustration, decoration, emblem, symbol, trademark, flag, banner, pennant, insignia, or similar feature which is placed in a manner that the communication, announcement, message, attraction, advertisement, or promotion inherent to the device is visible or appears to be intended to be visible to persons on adjoining property or nearby public rights-of-way, and is used for purposes of advertisement, announcement, declaration, demonstration, identification or expression.

What types of signs exist?

- Freestanding Signs- Any permanent sign supported by a permanent structure such as a pole, wall or fence, or mounted directly to the ground, but not including any sign attached to a building.
- Wall Signs - A permanent sign attached to the face of, or erected and confined within the limits of, the outside wall of any building and supported by such wall or building.
- Private Traffic Control Signs - Permanent signs placed on private property, which relates to such property and which is used to direct on site pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
- Directional Signs - Permanent sign designed to direct the flow of vehicular or pedestrian traffic in or out of a premise.

These definitions can be found in Article 6 –Definitions - Anderson Township Zoning Resolution.

Do permanent signs require a zoning certificate?

Zoning Certificates are required for all permanent signs. The fee for this zoning certificate is based on the square footage and is \$2.00 per square foot per side face for a new sign.

Do I need a zoning certificate to change the layout or design of my sign?

Zoning Certificates are required for changes to the layout, design or face of a sign, even if the size or structure will not be modified. The fee for this zoning certificate is based on the square footage and is \$2.00 per square foot per side face for a face change.

(Please see the sheet entitled “Zoning Certificate Questions and Answers” for additional information about zoning certificates.)

For additional information, you may contact our office during normal business hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at 513-688-8400.