

Placement of Temporary Signs

The Borough of Lincoln
45 Abe's Way
Lincoln Borough
Elizabeth, PA 15037

Applicant's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone : (home) _____ (work) _____

Title and Date of Event(s): _____

Please Note: Two (2) checks must accompany this application as follows:

CHECK #

1. A \$10.00 nonrefundable filing fee

2. A \$50.00 refundable check, which will be returned providing the removal of signs is completed within seven (7) days after the date of the event(s)

Signature of Applicant or Representative

Signature of Code Enforcement Officer

Permit Number

Chapter 421

SIGNS

ARTICLE I Temporary Political Signs

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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Lincoln as indicated in article histories. Amendments noted where applicable.]

ARTICLE I Temporary Political Signs

[Adopted 5-13-1992 by Ord. No. 92-03 (Ch. 19, Part 1, of the 1997 Code of Ordinances)]

§ 421-1. Short title.

This Part shall be known and referred to as the "Temporary Political Sign Ordinance" and the same may be cited in that manner.

§ 421-2. Definition.

Temporary political signs are hereby defined as signs which announce political candidates seeking office, political parties and/or political or public issues contained on an election ballot.

§ 421-3. Regulations.

Temporary political signs shall be subject to the following regulations:

- A. Placement. Temporary political signs may be placed on private property, public property or public rights-of-way; provided, that the placement of such signs does not interfere or obstruct the clear vision of motorists to oncoming traffic at intersections or concealed road hazards such as hidden driveways.
- B. Area. On private and public property, temporary political signs shall not exceed an aggregate gross surface area of 32 square feet.
- C. Location. On private property, temporary political signs may be located in any required yard.
- D. Timing. Temporary political signs may be erected or maintained for a period not to exceed 60 days prior to the date of the election to which such signs are applicable and shall be removed within seven days following such election. The candidate is responsible for all political signs of candidates of the party if they are located in the public right-of-way.

§ 421-4. Permit requirements.

- A. Permit required. No person may erect or install any temporary political sign within the Borough without first obtaining a sign permit from the Borough and paying the required fee.
- B. Permit application. Applications for sign permits shall be submitted to the Borough Secretary and shall contain the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the applicant and the names, addresses and telephone number of the owners if different from the applicant. At the time of application, the applicant shall provide the dimensions of the proposed sign.
- C. Issuance of permits. If it appears that the proposed sign is in compliance with all the requirements of this Part, and if the appropriate permit fee has been paid, the Borough shall issue a permit for the proposed sign.
- D. Permit fees. Each application for a temporary political sign permit required by this Part shall pay a nonrefundable fee as established pursuant to a resolution by the Lincoln Borough Council. Each applicant shall also pay a deposit fee as established by resolution of the Lincoln Borough Council which shall guarantee removal of the signs as required by § 421-3D of this article. If said signs have not been removed by the specified time period, the deposit fee shall be forfeited. Otherwise, if the signs are removed in a timely manner, the deposit fee, only, shall be refunded.
- E. Revocation of permit. All rights and privileges acquired under the provisions of this Part are mere licenses and, as such are at any time revocable for just cause by the Borough. All permits issued pursuant to this section are hereby subject to this provision.

§ 421-5. Violations and penalties.

- A. Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine in accordance with the following schedule:
 - (1) First offense: \$50.
 - (2) Second offense: \$100.
 - (3) Third offense: \$250.
 - (4) Fourth offense and each and every offense thereafter: \$500.
- B. Or, alternatively, sentenced to pay a fine of not more than the maximum permitted under Pennsylvania law as the same may be from time to time amended and in effect as of the date of conviction.
- C. Whenever any person violating any of the provisions of this Part is notified of such violation in writing by the Borough, each day or portion thereof a violation occurs or continues to occur shall constitute a separate violation.