

MUNICIPAL ELECTION SIGNS FACT SHEET

Municipal Election signs are governed by the Region of Waterloo By-law 10-030, a copy of the by-law and its amendments can be found at www.regionofwaterloo.ca, and the Township of Wilmot By-law 2002-68 (enclosed). Please note that the Region of Waterloo has recently amended their Sign By-law prohibiting Election Signs along Regional Roads.

Please review these reminders before you place your campaign signs on any property – for more specific information, please refer to the appropriate sign by-law – **the FACT SHEET is just a guide:**

ELECTION SIGNS GENERAL:

1. Election signs cannot be placed on **any township property or road allowance** within The Township.
2. Election signs can be placed on private property **once the candidate has filed**. Public property (road allowances) along Regional roads can be only **45 days prior to the election** as per the Regional by-law.
3. Elections signs cannot be placed on **private property without the owner's consent**.
4. Election signs cannot be placed upon any **tree, post, pole or fence** on municipal property or any property under the jurisdiction of the municipality.
5. Election signs cannot be placed in such a manner as to **obstruct a driver's/pedestrian's view of roadways or driveways or in such a manner as to interfere with the visibility or effectiveness of any traffic sign or traffic signal or traffic device**.
6. Election signs cannot be placed on **property used as a voting location**.
7. Candidates or their duly appointed scrutineers **visiting a polling place should not display any election signs**, and will be asked to remove any button or sign on their person or vehicle.
8. Election signs may not be **illuminated**.
9. Election signs **must be removed within 72 hours** after Voting Day (signs must be removed on or before October 17, 2022)

10. Signs are not to **interfere with street lamps, power or telephone wires and poles, fire hydrants, fire escapes, fire exits or reservoir.**
11. Signs that are posted in the controlled area of **Highway 7 & 8** must have the approval of the Ministry of Transportation.
12. Signs erected contrary to the Sign By-laws **may be removed without notice** and held for 30 days. If not picked up, they will be disposed of without notice or compensation to the owner.
13. Elections signs **cannot be placed on Regional road allowances** in accordance with the Regional Sign By-law amendment 21-064.
14. The signs cannot be larger than **0.84 meters.**