

Per ROADSIDE ADVERTISING RULES AND REGULATIONS2 CCR 601-3

No off-premise sign shall be allowed to be erected or maintained upon trees or painted or drawn upon rocks or other natural features, including fences and utility poles without a permit.

PERMITS

A permit from the Department shall be required for all signs as provided for in C.R.S. 1973, 43-1-407 (1981 Colo. Sess. Laws, chapter 512).

With national elections looming in the near future, we ask all political parties to please refrain from posting signs on utility poles or any other electric utility structures. Posting signs on utility poles is prohibited and can only be conducted if permission is granted by the owner.

ISSUANCE OF PERMITS IS PROHIBITED WHEN:

- A. No permit shall be issued as provided in C.R.S. 1973, 43-1-411 (1981 Colo. Sess. Laws, chapter 512).
- B. No permit shall be issued for the erection, use, or maintenance of any advertising device which is or would be at a point where it would encroach upon the right-of-way of a public highway without written approval of the Department.

GENERAL REGULATIONS STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM:

The following Rules and Regulations shall apply to all signs visible from the State Highway System.

- A. No sign shall be allowed to advertise activities that are illegal under State or Federal Laws or Rules and Regulations.
- B. A sign which is blank or displays obsolete advertising matter for a period of six months is an abandoned sign and shall be removed.
- C. No sign shall be allowed that is not clean and in good condition.
- D. No sign shall be allowed which prevents the driver of a vehicle from having a clear and unobstructed view of official signs and approaching or merging traffic.
- E. No off-premise sign shall be allowed which contains, includes, or is illuminated by any flashing, intermittent or moving light or lights except those giving the following public service information: time, date, temperature and weather.
- F. No lighting shall be allowed to be used in any way in connection with any sign unless it is so effectively shielded as to prevent beams or rays of light from being directed at any portion of the main-traveled way of the State Highway System, unless lighting is of such low intensity or brilliance as not to cause glare or to impair the vision of the driver of any motor vehicle, or to otherwise interfere with any driver's operation of a motor vehicle.
- G. No sign shall be allowed which moves or has any animated or moving parts.
- H. No off-premise sign shall be allowed to be erected or maintained upon trees or painted or drawn upon rocks or other natural features, including fences and utility poles.
- I. The United States Postal Service prohibits advertising on mail boxes or their supports. Business symbols or business trademarks are classified as advertising, which are prohibited. The business name which is required by the USPS to be on each mail box shall not be in excess of three inches high, or it will be classified as advertising, which is prohibited.
- J. No person shall place, maintain, or display upon or in view of any highway any unauthorized sign, signal, marking, or device which purports to be or is an imitation of or resembles an official traffic control device or railroad sign or signal, or which attempts to direct the movement of traffic. Every such prohibited sign, signal, or marking is hereby

declared to be a public nuisance and the authority having jurisdiction over the highway is hereby empowered to remove the same or cause it to be removed without notice.

K. No off-premise sign shall contain more than two signs or advertisements per facing.

L. Distances shall be measured horizontally along a line perpendicular to the centerline of the highway.

M. Distances beyond protected areas and inside urban areas shall be measured horizontally along a line normal or perpendicular to the right-of-way line of the highway.

N. Distances between sign structures located on the same side of the highway shall be measured along the nearest edge of the pavement between points directly opposite the closest points of the signs to the highway.

NOTIFICATION OF NONCOMPLIANCE:

A. As provided for in C.R.S. 1973, 43-1-412 (1981 Colo. Sess. Laws, chapter 512)

All notices of noncompliance should be brought to the attention of:

Chief Engineer

State Department of Highways

4201 East Arkansas

Denver, Colorado,

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