## **SIGNBOARDS**

- 8.—(a) The erection of signs and signboards and the posting and painting of signs or notices and the exposing of any advertising device upon the highway or within a quarter of a mile (or 0.40 kilometres) thereof, is hereby prohibited unless and until a permit for the same shall have been obtained from the Roads Authority.
- (b) Restrictions and specifications relating to the issuance of a Sign Permit are set out and specified in the Township Guideline for Signboards, Schedule "G" attached hereto.
- (c) Free Temporary Signs, Notices or Advertising Devices

Free temporary signs may be erected without permission or fee under the following conditions:

- (i) Free temporary signs include:
  - (1) Agricultural Society signs, Plowmen's Association signs, Plowing Match, Exhibition and Fall Fair signs placed by recognized organizations of a similar nature to advertise a particular event;
    - Certain approved signs may be placed by the Township to direct persons to a plowing match, etc. all signs placed by the Roads Authority are official signs for the purpose of these directions;
  - (2) The signs of recognized service clubs and religious and charitable organizations and of other recognized public organizations placed to advertise a particular event;
  - (3) Election signs, placed for, or on behalf of, a candidate or political party;
    - Notwithstanding the foregoing, the placement of elections signs is prohibited on Township highways if they block driver sight distances, or otherwise create a safety hazard as determined by the Township Superintendent.
  - (4) Real estate signs, under 1.2 metres (4 feet) by 0.60 metres (2 feet) advertising a property for lease, rent, sale or development;
  - (5) Private auction sale signs; and
  - (6) Seasonal signs advertising the owner's own grown or personally manufactured product.
- (ii) An person posting or affixing any poster or notice upon any building, tree, sign, post or any property of the Township on the highway shall remove posters within 7 days after the event has taken place.
- (iii) Any free temporary sign must not:

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(1) Exceed 2 metres (6.56 feet) by 1.2 metres (4 feet) in size;

- (2) Be affixed to another sign or to a guide rail or other highway facility or structure;
- (3) Be placed adjacent to a controlled-access highway excepting certain real estate signs or other signs as specifically permitted by these instructions;
- (4) Be illuminated by other than floodlighting or spotlighting (luminous, temporary signs are prohibited);
- (5) Be placed within 30 metres (100 feet) of the centre line of a highway excepting where these instructions specifically state that this may be done; or
- (6) Be placed where it may interfere with an official sign, traffic signal or safety devices.
- (iv) A maximum of two free temporary signs are permitted upon any one property at any one time.
- (v) Signs must be affixed to the site to avoid being moved.
- (vi) A free temporary sign may be displayed no longer than 6 months.

## (e) Free Signs

Any sign not more than 0.61 metres (2 feet) by 0.30 metres (1 foot) in size displaying either the name and occupation of the owner of the premises on which the sign is located or the name of the premises may be erected without permission or fee.

## (g) Fees

The fees for all permits and rentals for any calendar year shall be set by the Township by resolution at their and shall be in effect until otherwise changed by the Township.

- (g) Where a portable sign or unauthorized sign is displayed contrary to the provisions of this By-law or on Township Road Allowance, the Superintendent may direct,
  - (i) the owner of the portable or unauthorized sign, if the Superintendent is able to ascertain who and where the owner is, to remove the sign;
  - (ii) the person on whose behalf the portable or unauthorized sign is displayed if clause (i) does not apply but the Superintendent is able to ascertain who and where that person is, to remove the sign; or
  - (iii) the owner of the land on which the portable or unauthorized sign is displayed if clause (i) and (ii) do not apply, to remove the sign.
- (h) Where a sign in respect of which a direction is given under subsection 8(f) is not removed within five days after the direction is given, the Superintendent may in writing authorize any person to enter upon the land involved and to do whatever is necessary to remove the sign.