

FAYETTE COUNTY SIGN PERMIT APPLICATION
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PROPERTY OWNER: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS/CITY/STATE/ZIPCODE: _____

APPLICANT: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS/CITY/STATE/ZIPCODE: _____

LAND DISTRICT: _____ LAND LOT(S): _____ ZONING DISTRICT: _____

SIGN LOCATION/ADDRESS: _____

Sign Height from Grade or Road (if applicable): _____ Setback from Intersection: _____

Wall/Monument (less-than 36 s.f.): _____ (more-than 36 s.f.): _____ **Banner:** _____ **# Days:** 14 / 28 / 42

(No sign or part thereof, except authorized traffic signs, shall be located in any state or county right-of-way. No sign may be located any closer than 20 feet from an intersection as measured from the intersection of the two (2) rights-of-way.)

Sign Face Area Proposed: _____ Maximum Sign Face Area Allowed: _____

LIGHTING: _____ Internal Illumination Only _____ External Illumination Only _____ No Lighting

APPLICANT COMMENTS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: _____

APPLICANT'S COVENANT

As the applicant for a Sign Permit on the property hereon described, I do hereby covenant that the information supplied with this application is true and correct and I do hereby agree to comply with the ordinances of Fayette County pertaining to zoning, signs, and subdivisions. It is understood and agreed by me that any error, misstatement, or misrepresentation of fact, either with or without intention on my part, such as might, if known, cause a refusal of this application or any alteration or change in plans made without approval of the Zoning Administrator subsequent to the issuance of a Sign Permit, shall constitute sufficient grounds for revocation of said Sign Permit and any Electrical Permit resulting therefrom. I am aware that approval by Fayette County does not relieve me from applicable State regulations for any sign placed on a State Highway and said sign placement/location must also be permitted by Georgia DOT, Thomaston, Georgia if site fronts a State Road.

SIGNS ALLOWED IN NONRESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICTS:

Free-Standing (Section 5-32. Freestanding Signs)

____ Unless otherwise provided herein, lots located in a nonresidential zoning district containing a single business shall be allowed no more than one (1) permanent freestanding sign. The sign face shall not exceed 50 square feet in area or six (6) feet in height. Sign structures shall not exceed seven (7) feet in height. Such sign may be internally or externally illuminated. A permit shall be required.

____ Unless otherwise provided herein, lots located in a nonresidential zoning district containing a multi-businesses shall be allowed no more than one (1) permanent freestanding sign. The sign face shall not exceed 60 square feet in area or seven (7) feet in height. Sign structures shall not exceed eight (8) feet in height. Individual business names are included in the total square footage. Such signs may be internally or externally illuminated. A permit shall be required.

____ Unless otherwise provided herein, no more than two (2) signs shall be allowed to be placed at each entrance of a non-residential subdivision. These signs must be placed on common property under the ownership of the Property Owners Association (POA) and shall not be allowed to be on private property. The sign face shall not exceed thirty-five (35) square feet in area or five (5) feet in height. Sign structures shall not exceed six (6) feet in height. If the sign or sign structure is attached to a Decorate Wall or fence, the Decorate Wall or fence shall not exceed four (4) feet in height. The post and/or columns of the Decorative Wall or fence shall not exceed six (6) feet in height. A permit shall be required. Said signs may be internally or externally illuminated.

____ Wall Signs (Section 5-33. Wall Signs)

Wall signs shall be placed on the principal structure only, and may be internally and externally illuminated. A permit shall be required. Number. Each parcel containing a single business shall be allowed not more than one (1) wall sign. On parcels containing multiple businesses, each business shall be allowed a wall sign. Location. No wall sign shall be placed on any roof or on top of any structure. In addition, no part of a wall sign shall be at an elevation higher than twenty-five (25) feet above the average ground level elevation along the side of the building on which the wall sign is installed. If a building has two (2) or more stories, no signs shall be installed at a level above the bottom of the second floor windows, unless the building is a multi-tenant office or multi-tenant commercial structure wherein tenants have primary, direct access from their space to the outside. This access must include outside walkways and stairways properly designed for public use. Erection. All wall signs shall be safely and securely attached to the building wall, subject to the approval of the Building Official. Size/calculation. The allowable front wall sign area for each building shall not exceed two (2) square feet per linear foot of the front length of the building or portion thereof occupied. If the sign is a panel or box, the total area including background is included. If a sign consists of individual letters, each attached directly to a building or structure, the area of the sign shall be measured by the area of the smallest rectangle or series of contiguous rectangles which enclose all the letters. Mural graphics shall be permitted. Such signs may not be internally illuminated. Murals are allowed in lieu of wall signage but cannot cover more area than would be allowed in Section 5-33(4). A permit shall be required.

____ Banners (Section 5-35. Banners)

Banners shall be allowed for a period not exceeding fourteen (14) days with not more than three (3) such fourteen (14) day periods being permitted per calendar year per lot. In the case of lots which contain multiple businesses, each business will get a Banner. Banners shall not be more than thirty-two (32) square feet. A permit shall be required.

No banner shall be mounted so as to extend above the horizontal plane of the roof where the building wall and roof meet or shall not extend more than five (5) feet above grade when on the ground.

_____ Signage During Construction (Section 5-36. Signage During Construction)

One (1) additional sign shall be allowed during construction. Said sign shall not be internally illuminated. A permit shall be required. Duration. Said sign shall be allowed beginning with the issuance of a Land Disturbance Permit and ending with the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy or installation of a permanent sign, whichever occurs first. Size. Said sign shall not exceed twenty (20) square feet in area nor five (5) feet in height. No sign may be located any closer than twenty (20) feet from an intersection as measured from the intersection of the two (2) rights-of-way. This sign is in addition to the number of signs allowed in Section 5-32.

_____ Suspended Signs (Section 5-39 Suspended Signs)

In a multi-tenant commercial or office building, in addition to all other permitted signs, one (1) projecting non-illuminated sign per entrance used shall be allowed to identify the location of each tenant's premises. A permit shall be required. Suspended signs shall adhere to the following: Does not exceed three (3) square feet in area; Is uniform in size, material, color and shape and is placed in an equivalent location to other such signs located on the same building; Is suspended from the eave or soffit of the building; and, Maintains a minimum of seven (7) feet clearance between the bottom of the sign and the walkway below.

SIGNS ALLOWED IN RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICTS:

Residential Freestanding Signs (Section 5-22. Residential Freestanding Signs)

_____ Unless otherwise provided for herein, lots located in a residential zoning district shall be allowed no more than three (3) freestanding signs and not more than one such sign can be permanent. The sign face shall not exceed six (6) square feet in area or four (4) feet in height. Sign structures shall not exceed five (5) feet in height. Banners shall be exempt from this section. All permanent signs shall require a permit. If the sign or sign structure is attached to a Decorative Wall or fence, it shall be considered to be permanent and said Decorative Wall or fence must meet the requirements of Article V, Section 5-17. of the Fayette County Zoning Ordinance. Permanent signs shall not be internally illuminated. Temporary signs shall not be illuminated.

_____ Unless otherwise provided for herein, no more than two (2) freestanding signs shall be allowed to be placed at each entrance of a residential subdivision. These signs must be placed on common property under the ownership of the Home Owners Association (HOA) and shall not be allowed to be on private property. The sign face shall not exceed thirty-five (35) square feet in area or five (5) feet in height. Sign structures shall not exceed six (6) feet in height. If the sign or sign structure are attached to a Decorative Wall or fence, the Decorative Wall or fence shall not exceed four (4) feet in height. The post and/or columns of the Decorative Wall or fence shall not exceed six (6) feet in height. Such signs shall not be internally illuminated. A permit shall be required. Said permit shall not be issued until after the Final Plat has been recorded. No sign may be located any closer than twenty (20) feet from an intersection as measured from the intersection of the two (2) rights-of-way.

_____ Unless otherwise provided for herein, for any multi-family residential property, the number of allowable temporary freestanding signs shall not exceed six (6) signs. The sign face shall not exceed six (6) square feet in area or four (4) feet in height. Sign structures shall not exceed five (5) feet in height. Temporary signs shall not be illuminated. Multi-family developments shall also be entitled to two (2) permanent signs at the entrance to the development as regulated per the dimensional requirements in Section 5-22 (B) and these signs shall require a permit. The property owner shall be responsible for all signage posted on the property.

_____ **Banners.** Banners shall not be more than twenty-four (24) square feet in size to be displayed not more than 30 days in a calendar year. No banner shall be mounted so as to extend above the horizontal plane of the roof where the building wall and roof meet and shall not extend more than four (4) feet above grade when mounted on the ground. A permit shall be required.

_____ Signage During Construction (Section 5-24. Signage During Construction)

One (1) additional sign shall be allowed during construction. Said sign shall not be internally illuminated. A permit shall be required. Duration. Said sign shall be allowed beginning with the issuance of a Land Disturbance Permit and ending with the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy or installation of a permanent sign, whichever occurs first. Size. Said sign shall not exceed twelve (12) square feet in area nor five (5) feet in height. No sign may be located any closer than twenty (20) feet from an intersection as measured from the intersection of the two (2) rights-of-way. This sign is in addition to the number of signs allowed in Section 5-22.

See Article IV. for measurement/construction and maintenance standards