

SIGN BY-LAW GUIDE

ELECTION SIGNS

SIGNS RELATED TO AN ELECTION OR
REFERENDUM CONDUCTED BY ANY LEVEL
OF GOVERNMENT



ABOUT THE SIGN BY-LAW

Signs in Vancouver are administered depending on their location on private property, public right-of-ways, or parks. This guide summarizes the regulations and permitting process for election signs on private property in the Sign By-law.

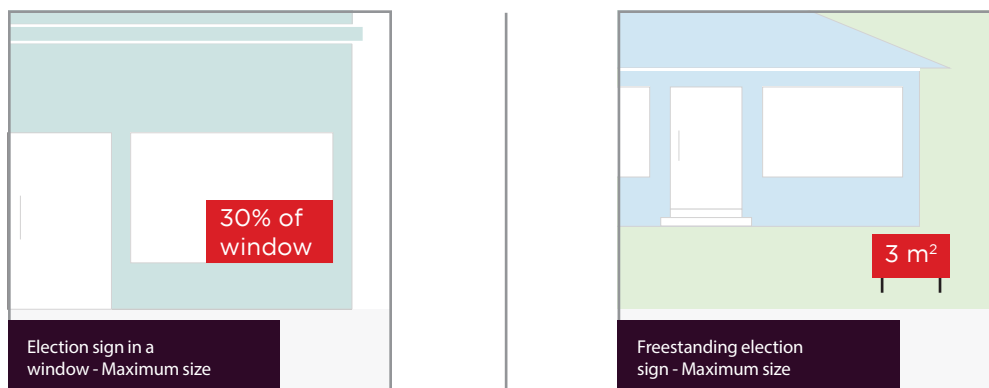
This Guide is a companion to the Sign By-law. It is not a substitute for the Sign By-law. If there are any discrepancies between this guide and the Sign By-law, the Sign By-law always takes precedence.

For more information on signs on public right-of-ways (streets and sidewalks), contact [Engineering Services](#).

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In the Sign By-law, an election sign is a sign that advertises a candidate or political party participating in a municipal, provincial or federal election or an issue in the public's interest in a referendum.

In Vancouver the regulations for election signs are the same for all City zones and Sign Districts. Election signs may be placed in windows or on freestanding signs as shown below:



Election signs may be erected without a permit:

- on the day a federal or provincial election is announced
- 45 days before a municipal election vote or referendum

All election signs must be removed 48 hours after the close of voting.

For more information, see [Section 6.9 in the Sign By-law](#).

Political signs that fall outside of the definition of an Election Sign may be considered a Temporary Sign under [Section 6.17 of the Sign By-law](#).