

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATIONDIVISION OF TRAFFIC OPERATIONS
OUTDOOR ADVERTISING PROGRAM

Dear Candidate or Committee Member:

As a candidate or campaign worker for either office or a ballot measure, this reminder about State law governing campaign signs should be helpful to you.

Section 5405.3 of the State Outdoor Advertising Act exempts the placing of Temporary Political Signs from normal outdoor advertising display requirements.

A Temporary Political Sign meets the following criteria:

- A. Encourages a particular vote in a scheduled election.
- B. Is placed no sooner than 90 days prior to the scheduled election and is removed within 10 days after that election.
- C. Is no larger than 32 square feet.
- D. Has had a Statement of Responsibility filed with the Department certifying a person who will be responsible for removing the sign (Attached).

A completed Statement of Responsibility must be submitted to:

Division of Traffic Operations
Outdoor Advertising Program
P.O. Box 942874, MS-36
Sacramento, CA 94274-0001

Temporary Political Signs shall not be placed within the right-of-way of any highway, or be visible within 660 feet from the edge of the right-of-way of a classified "Landscaped freeway".

State law directs the Department of Transportation to remove unauthorized Temporary Political Signs and bill the responsible party for their removal. We are calling these provisions to your attention to avoid possible embarrassment or inconvenience to you and your supporters. Please share this information with those assisting in your campaign.

Should you have any questions, comments or need additional information, please call (916) 654-6473.

Enclosure

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**STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR TEMPORARY
POLITICAL SIGNS**

Election Date: _____ June _____ November Other: _____

Candidate's Name: _____

Office sought or Proposition Number: _____

County where sign(s) will be placed: _____

Number of signs to be placed: _____

RESPONSIBLE PARTY:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number (Include Area Code) _____

The undersigned hereby accepts responsibility for the removal of Temporary Political Signs placed pursuant to Section 5405.3 of the Outdoor Advertising Act for the above candidate or proposition.

It is understood and agreed that any Temporary Political Signs placed sooner than ninety (90) days prior to the election and/or not removed within ten (10) days after the election, may be removed by the Department and the responsible party will be billed for any associated removal costs.

SIGNATURE OF RESPONSIBLE PARTY

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REGULATIONS FOR POLITICAL SIGNS IN UNINCORPORATED SAN LUIS OBISPO

To: Candidates for Office

The San Luis Obispo County Code has regulations regarding the placement and size of campaign signs that are placed in the unincorporated areas of the county. We are providing this letter in the candidate's package with the hopes that you and your staff will advise supporters of the regulations when they provide them with campaign signs.

San Luis Obispo County Code Section 23.04.306b (coastal) and 22.20.040B12 (inland) exempts political signs from requiring a permit, but only if the following regulations are adhered to:

1. In Residential land use categories within urban or village area (such as Templeton, Cambria, San Miguel, Los Osos, Huasna, etc.), political signs are not to exceed four (4) square feet total for each site.
2. In other land use categories (such as Commercial, Industrial), within urban or village areas, political signs are not to exceed 16 square feet total for each site.
3. In areas outside of village reserve lines, political signs are not to exceed 32 square feet total for each site.
4. Signs are not to be posted any earlier than 60 days before the election, and must be removed within 14 days after the election.
5. Signs are not to be posted on or adjacent to any utility poles, parking meters, traffic sign posts, traffic signals or other traffic markers, or within the road right-of-way or other public property. These signs may be removed by county staff.

Best wishes in your campaign and if you have any questions, please feel free to call the County Planning Department Code Enforcement at 805-781-5705.

CITY REQUIREMENTS

Each incorporated city may have additional or different requirements for signs placed within the city limits. For more information, contact the city's Community Development Department, Planning, or the City Clerk's Office.

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