

HOLIDAY SIGN EXCEPTIONS

Temporary signs are permitted without a Temporary Use Permit for a two week period, five (5) times a year as follows:

**Mother's Day
May**



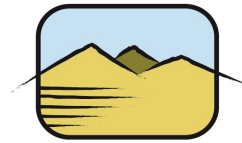
**PRESIDENT'S
DAY**



4th of July



**Christmas Holiday Period defined as the
day after Thanksgiving through January 3rd.**



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CITY OF TEHACHAPI

**GUIDE
for
TEMPORARY SIGNS**

Telephone: 661-822-2200

Sign Regulations

The City of Tehachapi has a comprehensive sign ordinance that restricts the type, size, location and number of signs businesses can display. The sign ordinance is intended to provide the business community with sufficient advertising and exposure opportunities while maintaining the quality of life and pedestrian safety citizens have come to expect in the City of Tehachapi.

Because the ordinance has many different facets, it is highly recommended that you or your representative contact the Development Services Department at (661) 822-2200 before erecting a permanent sign.

TEMPORARY SIGNS

The use of temporary signs in general is restricted to the five holiday periods listed on the outer page of this brochure. Other times temporary signs are permitted include:

GRAND OPENINGS: New businesses may advertise their “grand opening” banners, pennants and balloons for the first 30 days of the business. **Searchlights, feather signs and inflatable’s are not permitted.**

TEMPORARY USE PERMITS: Businesses may request up to two Temporary Use Permits (TUP) per calendar year for a two week display of temporary signs each time. Temporary signs that are banners that do not exceed twenty four square feet in size may be displayed on the fascia of the building, below the roof line, or as approved by the Director. The request should be made in advance to ensure time for processing. There is a **\$22.70** fee for a TUP. You can pick up an application at the Community Development Department or visit our website at www.tehachacityhall.com.



SANDWICH BOARDS

Sandwich boards professionally made are permitted adjacent to the businesses advertised on them provided access remains open and unimpaired along the City’s right-of-way and into the business that is advertised on the sandwich board and for handicap accessibility.

SIGN TWIRLERS

Businesses may not display portable, free-standing signs such as stake signs. Sign twirlers or human directional’s are not allowed in the downtown area.

SIGN MAINTENANCE

All signs, whether permanent or approved temporary must be properly maintained.

ENFORCEMENT

Enforcement of the Sign Ordinance usually consists of a written or verbal warning. If the violation continues the Code Enforcement Officer will take appropriate action.

Under no circumstances may a sign be posted or located in the public right of way, on utility poles, on traffic signs, on private property or in a manner that would impede or obscure pedestrian or vehicle movement or visibility.

PROHIBITED SIGNS

- ◆ Off-site human held sign also known as sign walkers are not allowed in the downtown business district.
- ◆ Inflatable signs
- ◆ Spinning or rotating signs
- ◆ Off premise signs
- ◆ Wire stake signs
- ◆ Searchlights
- ◆ Banners on poles



Wire stake signs are prohibited