

SIGNS – GENERAL SIGN INFORMATION

(TCLUR Chapter 5, Section 5.8)

- NOTES:
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 2. FOR CONSTRUCTION DIRECTIONAL & ACCESS SIGN(S) SEE PERMIT APPLICATION

A. Definition and Purpose. For the purpose of these Regulations, a sign is any stationary object, device, symbol, or part thereof, which can be seen from a public road or highway and is used to advertise or identify an object, person, individual, firm, corporation, partnership, or other entity, institution, organization, business, product, service, or event by any means, including words, letters, figures, designs, symbols, logos, fixtures, color, motion, illumination, or projected images. The purpose of *Section 5.8 Signs* is to provide a comprehensive system of reasonable, effective, consistent, content-neutral and non-discriminatory standards for signs. The provisions of *Section 5.8* control the construction, size, type, location and maintenance of signs and sign structures within the unincorporated portions of Teller County so as to:

1. **Protect Appearance.** Help protect the appearance of the community and enhance the attractiveness of Teller County as a place to live, do business and visit.
2. **Identification.** Enable places of residence and commerce to be easily identified and allow the communication of information necessary for the conduct of business.
3. **Compatible.** Permit signs that are compatible with their surroundings and aid in orientation, but preclude placement in a manner that conflicts with the principal uses of the site, adjoining and/or adjacent land uses, or adjoining and/or adjacent signs, or interferes with, obstructs the vision of, or distracts motorists, bicyclists or pedestrians.
4. **Limit Size and Number.** Limit, as necessary, the size and number of signs and sign messages to the minimum reasonable for identification of a residential or business location and the nature of any such business.
5. **Lessen Hazards.** Lessen hazardous situations, confusion and visual clutter caused by proliferation, improper placement or installation, illumination, animation and excessive height, area and bulk of signs that compete for the attention of motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians.
6. **Safety.** Protect the public from the dangers of unsafe signs, and require signs to be constructed, installed and maintained in a safe manner.

B. General Provisions. The provisions of *Section 5.8 Signs* apply to the display, construction, erection, alteration, use, maintenance and location of all signs within the unincorporated areas of Teller County.

1. **Sign Plan.** When the submittal requirements of these Regulations for a specific type of development permit include submittal of a Sign Plan, such a Sign Plan shall include the following:
 - a. **Location.** Graphic information drawn to scale depicting the locations of all proposed signage, including the placement of any freestanding signs as well as signs to be placed on buildings.
 - b. **Design.** Samples of the proposed design of said signs, in actual color and drawn to scale. Signage should have consistent appearance in terms of color, size, shape, lettering, graphics, and illumination.
 - c. **Allocation.** When multiple businesses or buildings are proposed, the allocation to

individual businesses and buildings of their portion of the total sign area of the building or lot.

- d. **Ability to Comply.** Evidence of the ability for all signs to comply with any requirements of the Teller County Building Code and any other applicable codes including the National Electric Code.
- e. **Maintenance.** A plan for maintaining all signs at all times in a good state of repair.

2. **Exterior Lighted Signs**

- a. **Type.** All exterior lighted signs shall either be:
 - (1) Lit solely from above in conformance to the provisions of *Section 5.5 Lighting* of these Regulations to illuminate **only** the sign itself, and cause no stray light or glare either on adjoining and/or adjacent property, roadways, or into the sky; **or**
 - (2) A fully enclosed, self-lighted, semi-transparent sign box (“sign can”); **or**
 - (3) A specific alternative sign lighting device, approved by the Planning Director in writing, that clearly demonstrates by technical or other explicit evidence that it will cause no stray light or glare, either on adjoining and/or adjacent property, roadways, or into the sky, and solely illuminate the proposed sign in any weather conditions, including fog, rain, or snow.

- 3. **Relationship to Other Regulations.** *Section 5.8 Signs* recognizes other regulations pertaining to signage such as the State of Colorado, Department of Highways, "Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Outdoor Advertising," effective January 1, 1984, the “Outdoor Advertising Act” (CRS § 43-1-401 *et seq.*), the Federal “Highway Beautification Act” (23 U.S.C. 131), the Teller County Building Code, and any other such code as may be adopted by Teller County. Where any provision of *Section 5.8 Signs* covers the same subject matter as other applicable regulations, the more restrictive regulation applies.

- a. **Signs in Areas Zoned for Commercial or Industrial Use.** All signs adjacent to the State highway system must obtain a State Sign Permit in addition to any permit required by Teller County. “Areas adjacent to the State highway system” means areas which are visible from the main-traveled way and within 660 feet of the nearest edge of the right-of-way, and those areas beyond 660 feet outside of urban areas which have signs visible from the main-traveled way and erected with the purpose of their message being read from such main-traveled way (see State of Colorado Division of Highways, *Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Outdoor Advertising, Effective January 1, 1984*).

- b. **Roadway Tourism Signs.** See *Section 5.8.E.4 Tourist-Oriented Directional Sign (TODS) and Related Trailblazing Signs*.

- 4. **Road Right-of-Way.** No sign other than Official Notices Posted by Government, Official Signs, or Public Notices shall be placed in County road rights-of-way at any time. (See *Section 5.8.D*.)

- 5. **Signs Otherwise Regulated in These Regulations.** Signage for specific uses listed in *Chapter 8 Special Review Uses* may be constrained beyond the requirements of *Section 5.8 Signs*, in which case the more restrictive provision or provisions apply.

C. **Signs Prohibited in All Zone Districts**

- 1. **Off-Premise Signs.** Any sign placed other than on the parcel of land or premises for which the business or activity advertised is located is specifically prohibited unless specifically exempted, or as specifically conditioned according to *Section 5.8.E Allowed Off-Premise Signs*.
- 2. **Specific Sign Types.** The following types of signs or advertising devices are specifically prohibited unless excepted or conditioned by other provisions of these Regulations.

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- a. **Balloons.** Balloons or similar types of lighter-than-air objects tethered to the ground or a structure by lines or other methods, except for those used in conjunction with special events. (See *Chapter 12 General Definitions: Special Event.*)
 - b. **Displays With Open Light Bulbs.** External displays, other than temporary decorative holiday lighting, that consist of unshielded or open fluorescent, incandescent, halogen, LED, High Intensity Discharge or similar light bulbs. See *Section 5.8.B.2 Exterior Lighted Signs.*
 - c. **Fluttering and Spinning Signs.** Pennants, banners (including political banners), streamers, and all other fluttering, spinning or similar types of signs or advertising devices, except for those used in conjunction with special events. (See *Section 5.8.D.1.k Political Signs*, and *Chapter 12 Definitions: Special Event.*)
 - d. **Metal Signs.** Signs with metallic surfaces, unless such surfaces are treated to reduce reflection from sunlight or artificial illumination.
 - e. **Obscene Signs.** Signs or pictures of an obscene, indecent or immoral character, such as will offend public morals or decency in accordance with constitutional standards.
 - f. **Obsolete Signs.** Signs that are located on property that becomes vacant and unoccupied for a period of six months or more, or a sign that pertains to a time, event or purpose that no longer applies is considered obsolete. All obsolete signs shall be removed by the owner of the sign or the owner of the property. A sign that is not so removed may be removed by the Planning Director without notice, provided, however, that the following types of signs are excepted from these provisions:
 - (1) **Exception for Change of Ownership.** Signs displayed on a business temporarily suspended because of a change of ownership or management of the business are not construed to be obsolete unless the property remains vacant or the business is closed for a period of six months or more.
 - (2) **Exception for Seasonal Business.** Signs displayed on a business that is open only on a seasonal basis are not construed to be obsolete unless the property remains vacant or the business is closed for a period of 12 months or more. A seasonal business is an on-going business open to the public for less than a full year, and solely to accommodate specific seasonal needs (by way of example **only**: a guide-and-outfitter operation during hunting season).
 - g. **Signs Blocking Ingress or Egress.** Signs that have been installed or maintained so as to prevent free ingress or egress from any door, window or fire escape. No sign of any kind shall be attached to a stand pipe or fire escape, except those signs that may be required by other applicable Federal, State and local statutes, laws, codes, resolutions, ordinances, and regulations.
 - h. **Signs Creating Optical Illusion.** Signs that create an optical illusion of movement by means of a design which presents a pattern capable of reversible perspective, giving the illusion rather than fact of motion or changing of copy.
 - i. **Signs Making Sounds.** Any sign that contains a radio, phonograph, whistle, bell or other sound-making device.
 - j. **Signs Obstructing Visibility.** Signs that obstruct or interfere with traffic signs or signals or with the visibility of operators of vehicles, bicycles or other conveyances using the public right-of-way or that are located within a clear vision area.
 - k. **Signs on Natural Features.** Signs painted on rocks or other natural features.
 - l. **Signs Resembling Traffic Control Devices.** Signs that are of a size, location, movement, content, coloring or manner of illumination that may be confused with or
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construed as a traffic control device, but have not been erected or authorized to be erected by a governmental agency.

- m. **Signs Without Adequate Clearance From Power Lines.** Signs that have been constructed or maintained with less horizontal or vertical clearance from authorized communication or energized electrical power lines than that prescribed by Federal or State law.
- n. **Structurally Unsafe.** Signs that are structurally unsafe or constitute a hazard to safety or health by reason of inadequate maintenance or dilapidation.
- o. **Stationary Vehicle Signs.** Signs placed on vehicles or trailers that are commonly and consistently parked or located for the purpose of advertising a product, service or activity or to attract or direct people to a business or activity located on the premises or nearby. "Commonly and consistently parked or located" means parked in the same, or a proximate location, for 30 or more consecutive 24-hour days.

D. **Permit Required.** Except as set forth below, a permit for a new sign may be required in accordance with the Teller County Building Code. No permit is required for a legal pre-existing non-conforming sign, or for the maintenance of a sign, or for a change of sign copy, provided that the sign conforms to the provisions of *Section 5.8 Signs*.

- 1. **No Permit Required.** The following **on-premise** signs, solely as may be restricted, require no permit:
 - a. **Addresses.** Mail boxes, address numbers or residential nameplates less than six square feet; lot numbers less than three square feet.
 - b. **Entry Feature.** Any structure, with or without a gate, which functions for the purpose of identifying a path for motor vehicles or pedestrians to or from a community, neighborhood, subdivision, town, campus, lot, property, or building. An entry feature may include landscaping, logos, lettering, and/or names. (Entry features over six (6) feet high may require a Building Permit under the Teller County Building Code.) [*am.* BOCC 07-22-10(36)]
 - c. **Flags.** Flags of any state, nation, government and any other flag not specifically used for advertising purposes. Such flags are limited to a maximum of 64 square feet.
 - d. **Gravestones.** Any gravestone.
 - e. **Hazard Warning Signs.** Temporary or permanent signs erected by a public utility company or construction company to warn of dangerous or hazardous conditions.
 - f. **Historic Plaques.** Memorial tablets or commemorative plaques installed by a recognized historical agency, including cornerstones for buildings.
 - g. **Holiday Decorations.** Temporary decorations, clearly incidental, customary, and commonly associated with any national, local or religious holiday. Such decorations must be removed no later than one week after the holiday; however that decorations for any specified December holiday may remain for up to one week after the following January 1, which shall be considered the end of the December holiday.
 - h. **Information Signs on Public Property.** All information signs on, or directing people to, public property, provided such signs are related to the use of the property and are erected and maintained by the agency responsible for the public property.
 - i. **Legally Non-conforming Signs.** See *Section 5.8.F Legally Non-conforming Signs*.
 - j. **Official Notices Posted By Government.** Official government notices and notices

posted by governmental officers in the performance of their duties to provide warning, necessary information, direction or other regulated purposes.

- k. **Official Sign.** Any sign required or authorized by law or Resolution of the Teller County Board of County Commissioners in order to meet the needs of public information, health, safety and welfare.
- l. **Political Signs.** Any sign or banner pertaining to any political candidate, party or issue in an upcoming local, State or national election. No political sign or banner shall be erected or placed within the unincorporated areas of the County sooner than 60 days prior to the officially designated election day for a local, state, or national election. Such political signs or banners must be removed within 10 days after said election day. Political signs or banners are limited to a maximum of 32 square feet. Political banners shall be securely tied down at each corner, and neither flutter, spin, obstruct visibility, nor otherwise create a distraction such as would endanger the safe movement of traffic on the public roads.
- m. **Public Notices.** Public notices or signs relating to an emergency.
- n. **Real Estate Signs.** A sign placed on private property for the sole purpose of indicating that the property is for sale, rental, or lease.

(1) **General Restrictions**

- (a) **Placement.** No real estate sign, including directional arrow signs, may be placed (a) in the public right-of-way; or (b) on a property or properties **other than** the property or properties specifically offered for sale, rental or lease by the advertising real estate brokerage or property owner. (See exception for Open House signs, *Section 5.8.E.3.*)
- (b) **Prompt Removal.** A real estate sign must be removed within seven days following completion of the property sale, rental, or lease.
- (c) **Signage Permitted.** See *Table 5-8 Real Estate Signage* below.

Table 5-8 Real Estate Signage		
	Residential & Agricultural Zoning	Commercial & Industrial Zoning
Lots or parcels 2.0 acres or Less	<u>Regardless of road frontage:</u> One Standard Real Estate Sign	<u>Regardless of road frontage:</u> Either one Standard Real Estate Sign OR one sign not to exceed 16 square feet
Lots or parcels greater than 2.0 acres	<u>Per road frontage:</u> Either one Standard Real Estate Sign OR one 2-sided sign not to exceed 16 square feet per side face area provided it is installed no less than 25' from the property line	

- (i) **Standard Real Estate Sign.** For the purposes of these Regulations, a Standard Real Estate Sign is a non-reflective and unlighted two-sided sign with a face area not exceeding four square feet per side, together with sign attachments, supported by a frame of two posts not exceeding four feet in height whether

or not cross-braced, or a similar arc frame of the same height, or a cross-arm stake of the same height. Sign attachments are restricted to one brochure box and not more than two additional attachments, each attachment not to exceed six inches by two and one-half feet in dimension. The total area of the sign face and all attachments must not exceed seven square feet per side, and the height of the sign when installed, including all attachments, can not exceed 42 inches above the natural ground level.

- (2) **Real Estate Developer/Development Signs.** Real Estate Developer/Development Signs are signs placed on a part of the project by a real estate developer to promote the sale, rent, or lease of undeveloped lots, or dwellings, or commercial units in a specific real estate development project.
- (a) **Temporary Marketing Sign.** For the purpose of these Regulation, a Temporary Marketing Sign is single on-premise sign on a part of the project not to exceed 48 square feet in size erected to promote the initial development and sale, rent, or lease of the specific real estate development project. Temporary marketing signs must be removed, without replacement, immediately upon the sale, rent, or lease of the last undeveloped lot or dwelling or commercial unit in the project, or after a period of two years, whichever occurs
- (b) **Individual Lot Sign.** For the purpose of these Regulations and in the context of *Section 5.8.D.1.m(2)*, Individual Lot Signs are “for sale” or “for rent/lease” signs on initially unsold or unleased developed or undeveloped subdivision lots when such lots are held by the **original developer**, its heirs or assigns. There can be no more than one sign per unsold platted lot; however, in no case shall signs be spaced closer than one sign per 200 linear feet of road frontage.
- (c) **Project Identification Sign.** A permanent on-premise freestanding or embedded decorative sign, lighted or unlighted, erected at the entrance of a real estate development project for the sole and explicit purpose of identifying the project by name. There can be only one such sign at each project entrance; the general provisions of *Section 5.8* for all signs applies.
- o. **Scoreboards.** Scoreboards used for athletic events, provided they do not exceed 20 feet in height and 128 square feet in size.
- p. **Sign Affixed to Vehicle.** See: *Section 5.8.C.2.g Portable Signs* for restrictions.
- q. **Signs Explicitly Exempted.** Signs exempt by specific act of the Board of County Commissioners pursuant to *Section 5.8.G Exemption from Off-Premise Sign Regulations.*
- r. **Signs Required By Law.** Signs required or specifically authorized for a public purpose by any law.
- s. **Traffic Signs.** Signs erected in public rights-of-way by a local, State or Federal governmental agency controlling or directing traffic.
- t. **Temporary Signs.** Any sign other than a real estate sign or political sign which is placed for a period of less than 14 consecutive days during any consecutive 120 days. Temporary signs only advertise a particular event, not an on-going activity or enterprise, and must be removed within seven days of completion of the event. The period of time for placement of a Temporary Sign may be extended beyond 14 consecutive days to a date certain solely for cause and with the express written authorization of the Planning

Director.

- u. **Works of Private Art.** Works of private art as defined in *Chapter 12: Definitions – Art*. (Private Art over six (6) feet high may require a Building Permit under the Teller County Building Code.) [am. BOCC 07-22-10(36)]
- v. **Works of Public Art.** Works of public art as defined in *Chapter 12: Definitions – Art* endorsed by Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners. (Public Art over six (6) feet high may require a Building Permit under the Teller County Building Code.) [am. BOCC 07-22-10(36)]

E. **Allowed Off-Premise Signs.** The following off-premise signs, solely as they are restricted, are allowed in unincorporated Teller County:

1. **Business Directional Signs .** For the purposes of *Section 5.8 Signs*, a Business Directional Sign is any sign erected by the owner or operator of a private business located more than 1,000 feet off a public road or highway, which is placed on property owned by another. Business Directional Signs may only be placed within a 150 foot strip parallel to either side of the direct access leading to the business advertised. Business Directional Signs may not exceed 20 square feet and are limited to one per business; no business may have more than one off-premise Business Directional Sign. When more than one business is similarly situated, use of a single sign for all businesses is required; however, the size of the Business Directional Sign may be the sum of eight square feet per business, not to exceed a maximum size of 64 square feet. Placement of any such off-premise Business Directional Sign requires a Teller County Building Permit for On-Site Projects, and, approval of the Business Directional Sign by the Board of County Commissioners with recommendation of the Planning Commission pursuant to *Section 3.4 Common Procedures for Review of Applications* and the following:

a. **Submittal Requirements.** Submittal of an application for approval of a Business Directional Sign shall contain the materials specified in *Section 3.2 Minimum Contents of Application*, and the following information:

- (1) Site plan of the lot or parcel upon which the sign is to be placed, fully dimensioned and drawn to scale with north arrow and legend, depicting the property boundaries, all roadways and accesses, all road right-of-ways and zone district setbacks, the location of all existing and proposed structures, and the proposed location of the sign. Where topography may be a consideration in the evaluation of the sign location, a topographic map with no greater than five-foot contour intervals may be required.
- (2) A photograph or photographs of the surrounding general area showing the proposed sign drawn in its exact proposed location
- (3) A full color drawing, dimensioned and scaled, showing the sign design, structure construction, and proposed lighting, if any.
- (4) Evidence of compliance with all other applicable codes Federal, State and local statutes, laws, codes, resolutions, ordinances, and regulations, including the Teller County Building Code;.
- (5) Specific plan for maintaining the proposed sign at all times in a good state of repair.

b. **Action by the Board of County Commissioners.** Approval, approval with conditions, or disapproval of a Business Directional Sign shall be pursuant to *Section 3.4.F.2.a Board of County Commissioners Decision*, and the following Standards:

- (1) The sign is not be capable of being seen, whether or not legible, without visual aid by a person of normal acuity from a roadway of the State highway system.
- (2) The sign is not erected with the purpose of its message being read from the State highway system.
- (3) The sign in no way interferes with safe roadway or access horizontal or vertical curve sight distances, or safe roadway or access intersection sight triangle distances, as established by the Teller County Roadway Design and Construction

Standards.

- (4) The sign meets the restrictions set forth in *Section 5.8.E.1.*
- (5) The sign does not adversely impact the historical significance and appearance of the County or have an adverse impact on its communities and the areas surrounding them.

2. **Construction Directional and Access Signs.** Construction Directional and Access Signs are off-premise signs used to facilitate contractors, sub-contractors, and materials suppliers in locating job sites. Such signs are allowed only (a) with the express written consent of any off-premises property owner; and (b) by specific permit separately applied for and issued to the General Contractor by Teller County upon payment of the fee as set forth in the fee schedule established by Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners.

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3. **Real Estate Open House Signs.** No more than a total of three directional on and/or off-premise Open House signs directing the public to the property for sale, rent or lease are allowed per Open House property. Such signs must not exceed three square feet, and shall not be displayed other than between Friday, 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, 5:00 p.m.. No Open House sign can be placed off-premise without the express written permission of the off-premise property owner. No Open House sign can be placed in the road right-of-way.
4. **Tourist-Oriented Directional Sign (TODS) and Related Trailblazing Signs.** Teller County relies upon and encourages the tourist economy and its contributions to the economic health of the County and the State of Colorado. However, unrestricted placement of signs throughout the County would adversely impact the historical significance and appearance of the County and have an adverse impact on its communities and the areas surrounding them. Pursuant to the authority granted to Teller County under CRS § 43-1-420(3) and CRS § 43-1-416, and as stated in the "Rules and Regulations for Tourist Oriented Directional Signs" (effective November 30, 1998) promulgated by the State of Colorado Department of Transportation (page 4, Section III.A.3), no TODS or related Trailblazing Sign can be erected in Teller County except in compliance with these Regulations, so long as these Regulations do not jeopardize the state's receipt of its full share of Federal highway funds.

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- F. **Legally Non-conforming Signs.** Any properly registered off-premises signs existing within the unincorporated area of the County prior to Resolution 6-20-91(32) of the Board of County Commissioners (June 20, 1991) which would be prohibited if erected thereafter is a legally non-conforming sign.
 1. **Maintenance and Repair.** Legally non-conforming signs may be maintained and kept in repair; however, in the event that a legally non-conforming sign is destroyed, it shall not be replaced. If a legally non-conforming sign falls to the ground, is broken into two or more pieces, or is illegible, it shall be deemed to have been destroyed. Should a legally non-conforming sign be vandalized, it may be repaired and/or replaced to the original condition.
 2. **Failure to Have Registered.** Failure to have properly registered a non-conforming sign with the County Planning Department on or before September 18, 1991 other than for good cause shown to the satisfaction of the Board of County Commissioners, is deemed to be a violation of these Regulations.
 3. **Termination of Legally Non-conforming Signs**
 - a. **Abandonment.** Legally non-conforming signs pertaining to activities or occupants that are no longer using a property must be removed within six months after the associated activity or occupant has vacated such property. Any such sign not removed within the required period is deemed to constitute a nuisance subject to removal by action of Teller County.
 - b. **Failure to Maintain.** The right to continue use of a legally non-conforming sign

terminates if the sign is not maintained in good structural and visual condition, as determined by the Board of County Commissioners, based upon the recommendation of the Planning Director.

- c. **Violation.** Any violation of *Section 5.8 Signs* or any pre-existing Teller County sign provisions immediately terminates the right to maintain such sign. Such sign is be deemed in violation of these Regulations and subject to the applicable provisions of *Section 1.15 Violations of These Land Use Regulations*.

G. Exemption from Off-Premise Sign Regulations . The submission of an application for approval of an Exemption from *Section 5.8 Signs* regulations concerning off-premise signs, determination of its sufficiency, Staff review of, and notice and scheduling of a public hearing for the development permit application before the Teller County Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners shall comply with the procedures established in *Section 3.4 Common Procedure for Review of Applications* and the following:

- 1. **Submittal Requirements .** Development permit applications for an Exemption from these Sign Regulations shall contain the materials specified in *Section 3.2 Minimum Contents of Application*, and the following information:
 - a. The reasons for the request, the location, a description of the proposed sign, its size, the ownership of the sign, and the ownership of the land upon which the sign is to be placed.
 - b. A properly prepared site plan pursuant to the requirements for a Minor Building Permit pursuant to *Chapter 7 Site Plan and Site Plan Review*.
 - c. A dimensioned and scaled drawing showing the sign design, structure construction, and proposed lighting, if any.
- 2. **Standards**
 - a. **Residential Zones.** Visible off-premises signs are incompatible with the uses permitted in residential zones.
 - b. **Manufacturing Zone.** For signs in an existing manufacturing zone, they are not visible outside said zone, do not create a distraction dangerous to traffic, and are compatible with the uses permitted in a manufacturing zone.
 - c. **Does Not Endanger Traffic.** A sign having a clear sight-line less than 1,000 feet in both directions along a public road creates a distraction endangering the safe movement of traffic. Further, an off-premise sign within one thousand feet of another sign, whether off-premise or on-premise, creates a distraction such as would endanger the safe movement of traffic on the public roads.
 - d. **Does Not Draw Attention to Itself.** The use of reflecting materials or moving parts or objects to draw attention to a sign creates a distraction such as would endanger the safe movement of traffic on the public roads.
 - e. **Is Not Lighted.** Unless required for public safety, lighting of signs is incompatible with the rural setting of the County and will adversely affect wildlife.
 - f. **Is Not Within View of A Designated Scenic Road or Roadway.** For Teller County designated Scenic Roadways see *Section 4.5.C Scenic and Wildlife Viewing Roadways*. In addition to aesthetic protection of designated scenic areas, placement of off-premise signs in such an area may distract drivers from devoting all of their attention to road and traffic and thereby endanger the safe movement of traffic on the public roads.
 - g. **Is Not Within One Mile of the Boundary of a National or State Area.** Signs within one mile of the boundary of a National Forest, National Monument, National Park, State

Forest, or State Park are incompatible with such areas. Placement of such signs would create a distraction that would endanger the safe movement of traffic on the public roads.

- h. **Is Not Within View of a Designated Wildlife Viewing Roadway.** For Teller County designated Wildlife Viewing Roadways see *Section 4.5.C Scenic and Wildlife Viewing Roadways*. Drivers of vehicles through such an area may be distracted from devoting all of their attention to road and traffic, and the placement of an off-premise sign in such an area would create additional distraction such as would endanger the safe movement of traffic on the public roads.
- i. **Is Not In An Area Designated by an Intergovernmental Agreement as A Joint Planning Area.** Joint planning areas created by intergovernmental agreement with an incorporated city may experience sudden or quick growth such that traffic management infrastructure and devices may lag behind growth. Further, off-premises signs would create additional distraction such as would endanger the safe movement of traffic on the public roads.

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The information above is a **summary only**. The Land Use Regulations may require more or less than is stated in this brochure.



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