

# ELECTION SIGNAGE

## Fact Sheet

This fact sheet sets out the way in which election signs are to be displayed on both State and Local Government Controlled Road Corridors.

For more specific information on election sign requirements within the Main Roads (MR) corridor go to: [www.qld.gov.au/transport/safety/signs/election-signs](http://www.qld.gov.au/transport/safety/signs/election-signs).

An election sign may only be exhibited in a manner that does not adversely impact on local amenity or cause a risk to public safety.

### Road safety is a priority

It is important that election signs are only erected during the period leading up to the election and removed after the election in a sensible and safe manner, to ensure the safety of all road users.

### What are election signs?

#### What size can an election sign be?

Election signs are any freestanding advertising device identifying candidates and/or promoting a political party at local, state or federal government elections.

(1) An election sign is a sign or poster that is able, or is intended, to:

- (a) influence a person about voting at any government election; or
- (b) affect the result of any government election.

#### Election sign conditions

Election sign advertising device must:

- (a) not have a face area in excess of 1m<sup>2</sup>; and
- (b) not be displayed on a local government controlled area or a road; and
- (c) not be displayed unless, prior to the display of the advertising device, the advertiser for the advertising device has given written notice to the local government of the place at which the advertising device will be displayed; and

- (d) if the advertising device is about a government election - be removed by the advertiser for the advertising device within 7 days of the date of the government election.

#### Placement of election signage

Election signs on state road corridors must be placed in rural areas outside of the 60km speed zone sign.

Election signs placed outside of the 60km speed zone, but inside the 80km speed zone sign, must be minimum of 3.5m from the edge of the road. Where the 80km speed sign is absent, the 3.5m restriction zone applies from the 60km to the 100km speed sign. (Refer over for specifications)

When outside the 100km speed zone sign, in the direction travelling outbound from a township, election signs must be located a minimum of 6m from the edge of the road.

Election signs **must not** be fastened to trees or road infrastructure (i.e. existing signs or guardrails).

The display of election signs on private land is limited to one (1) election sign per allotment/property.

A candidate or their agent(s) must not remove, deface, alter damage or otherwise interfere with other candidate's election signs.

#### Application for Election Signage

Each candidate, for a government election, who intends to display election signage must submit a completed "**Application for Approval to Erect Advertising Signs**" form along with a copy of the organisation's/applicant's Public Liability Insurance (*minimum of \$10M value required*) and \$100.00 security to Council prior to displaying any election signage.

It is the applicant's responsibility to request the security refund from Council once all applicant's election signage have been removed.

## For Further Information

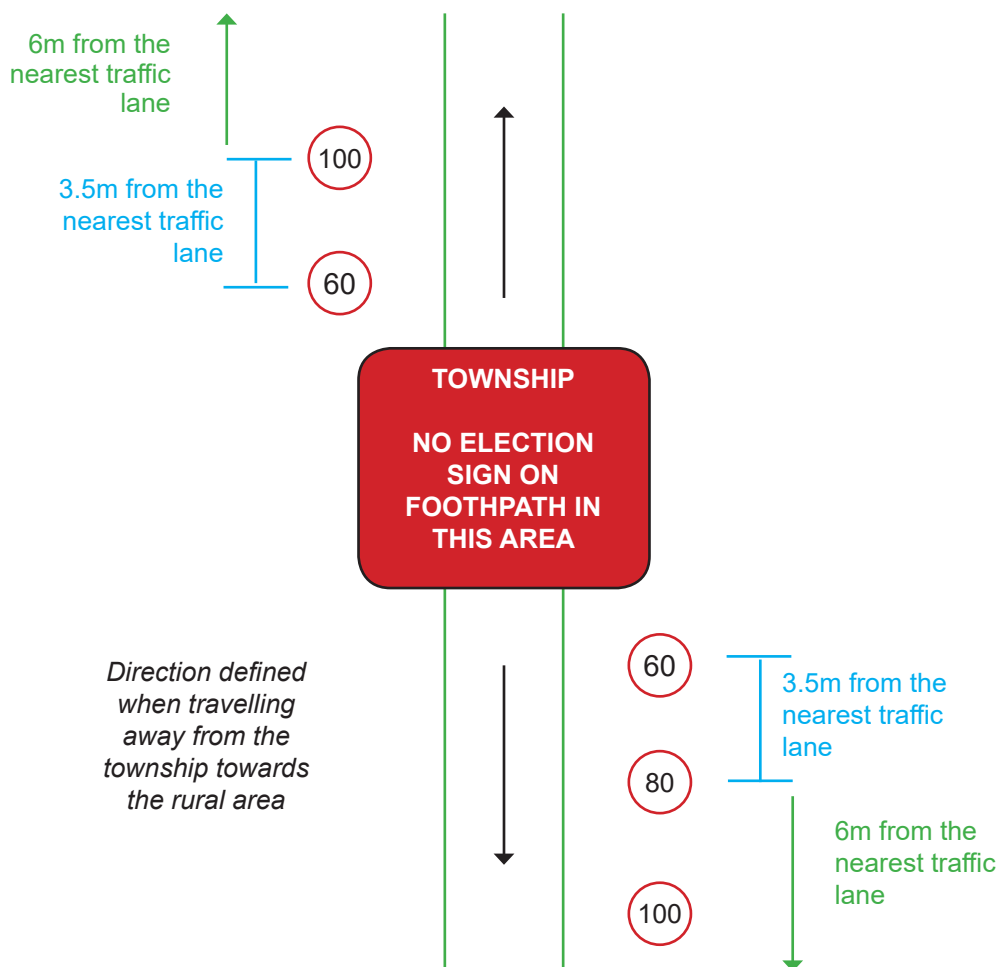
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