

Election Signage

This factsheet provides information about election signage to be displayed on both State and Local Government Controlled Road Corridors.

What are election signs?

Election signs are any freestanding advertising device identifying candidates and/ or promoting a political party at Local, State or Federal government elections.

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

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

Road safety?

Council must ensure the safety of all road users and promote traffic efficiency on all roads within our region. 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. 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.

Election sign conditions?

Election sign advertising device must:

- not have a face area in excess of 1m²;
- not be displayed on a Local Government controlled area or a road;
- 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;
- if the advertising device is about a government election be removed by the advertiser for the advertising device within seven (7) days of the date of the government election.

Application for election signage?

Each candidate for a government election, who intends to display election signage must submit a completed 'Election Signage application' along with a copy of the organisation's/applicant's Public Liability Insurance (minimum of \$10M value required) and a security bond to Council prior to displaying any election signage.

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

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.

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).

Election signs inside the township areas are only to be displayed on the boundary fence of a private property or from inside the property and are not allowed on the public footpath area at all.

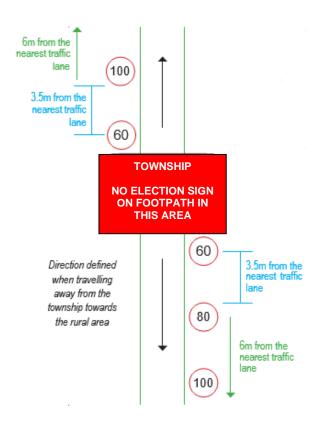
The display of election signs on private land is limited to one (1) election sign per allotment/property.



For further information contact Council's email **<u>info@sbrc.qld.gov.au</u>**or call **1300 789 279** or **07 4189 9100**.

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



Concern about election signage or more information?

You can lodge a concern about election signs in any of the following ways:

- South Burnett Regional Council PO Box 336 **KINGAROY QLD 4610**
- (07) 4189 9100
- @ info@sbrc.qld.gov.au
- 2 Visiting a Customer Service Centre



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