

Sign Removal

All election signs must be removed three days after the election. The removal shall include the sign panel, supporting structure and any tie wiring used to install and support the sign.

When the removal of an election sign is necessary due to safety or operational concerns, the appropriate Alberta Transportation district office will notify the responsible campaign office to take the required action. Failure to respond within the specified time will result in the sign being removed. Signs will be stored at the nearest highway maintenance facility or Alberta Transportation district office. The campaign office will be notified to arrange to have the signs picked up.

Signs that pose immediate hazard to the public will be removed immediately by Alberta Transportation's highway maintenance contractors without notification.

Alberta Transportation is not responsible for any signs damaged during the removal process. The campaign office is responsible for installing and removing election signs.

For more information contact the nearest Alberta Transportation district office.

Calgary District Office
2nd Floor, 803 Manning Rd NE, Calgary T2E 7M8
Phone: (403) 297-6311 Fax: (403) 297-7682

Lethbridge District Office
3rd Flr, Admin. Bldg., 909 – 3rd Ave. N, Box 314
Lethbridge T1H 0H5
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Red Deer District Office
401, 4920 - 51st St., Red Deer T4N 6K8
Phone: (403) 340-4964 Fax: (403) 340-4876

Hanna District Office
P.O. Box 1300, Hanna T0J 1P0
Phone: (403) 854-5550 Fax: (403) 854-3086

Vermilion District Office
Box 28, 4701-52nd St., Vermilion T9X 1J9
Phone: (780) 853-8178 Fax: (780) 853-8270

Athabasca District Office
Unit #2, Jewell Bldg., 3603 - 53rd St
Athabasca T9S 1A9
Phone: (780) 675-2624 Fax: (780) 675-5855

Edson District Office
Rm. 202, 111 - 54th St., Edson T7E 1T2
Phone: (780) 723-8250 Fax: (780) 723-8387

Stony Plain District Office
Rm. 223, Provincial Bldg., 4709 – 44th Ave.
Stony Plain T7Z 1N4
Phone: (780) 963-5711 Fax: (780) 963-7420

Grande Prairie District Office
2301, Provincial Bldg., 10320 – 99th St
Grande Prairie T8V 6J4
Phone: (780) 538-6113 Fax: (780) 538-5384

Peace River District Office
Bag 900, Box 29, 9621 – 96 Ave., Rm. 301
Peace River T8S 1T4
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Guidelines for the Installation of Election Signs



Alberta

Election Signs Guidelines

Those installing election signs on Alberta highways need to follow these guidelines:

1. For signs located within highway rights-of-way, the maximum sign size will be one and a half square metres. There is no size restriction for signs located on private property.
2. Election signs are temporary signs and are only permitted from the date the election is called until three days after the election.
3. Signs of the following types will **not** be allowed:
 - signs that display an intermittent flashing, rotating or moving light
 - signs that are floodlit which could cause interference to the motoring public
 - signs that have any moving or rotating parts
 - signs that imitate the wording of a standard or commonly used highway traffic sign, such as stop, stop ahead or yield.
 - signs that imitate or resemble the visual appearance of a traffic control device (e.g., stop sign).

If a sign is in contravention of these guidelines, a peace officer or a person authorized by the road authority may, without notice or compensation, remove the sign, and may enter onto privately owned land to do so.

Location Guidelines

In general, election signs shall be placed as far from the shoulder line as practical, always allowing the travelling public to have an unobstructed view of the roadway.

The following shall be considered when placing election signs.

- Signs must be placed no closer than two metres from the edge of pavement (or, in the case of gravel roads, no closer than two metres from the shoulder of the road).
- During winter conditions, there is a high probability that signs less than six metres from the road will be either covered with snow or damaged during snow removal and sanding operations.
- No election signs will be allowed within the median of a divided provincial highway.
- No election signs shall be mounted on highway signs or sign posts. These signs will be removed immediately.
- No election signs shall be placed in or within 500 metres of construction zones.
- No election signs shall be placed that obstruct a motorist's view of an intersection in an urban area or within 250 metres of an intersection in a rural area.

Safety Precautions

Those installing election signs must use safety precautions to ensure their safety and prevent driver distraction.

All persons working near the highway shall wear reflective vests and bright clothing.

Election signs shall be installed during daylight hours only.

Vehicles used for transporting election signs must be parked so as to minimize the impact to the travelling public (preferably on an approach), as far as possible from the travel lanes, and have four-way hazard warning signals operating at all times.

