

Placement of Election Signs

Registered political parties, groups, candidates and others may display posters relating to their election campaign from the start of the official opening of the election until 7 days after polling day at which time they must be removed.

Election advertising material must meet the requirements of the Election Act 2007, the State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008 and Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.

Election advertising material cannot be displayed on or within land or buildings occupied, used by, or under the control or management of the Crown, NSW Government agencies, or a Council.

Election advertising can be displayed:

- in relation to election signs, be not greater than 0.8m² in area
- on private land or buildings can only be undertaken with the written consent of the owner, or the property is owned or jointly owned by the candidate
- on a vehicle on a road or road related area (within the meaning of section 4 (1) of the Road Transport Act 2013
- fixed or attached to a table or stall on a footpath or other public place at any time on the day of voting for an election
- in relation to a building used for voting:
 - on the outer wall, fence or other boundary of the grounds of the enclosure, or
 - within the grounds of the enclosure, or

During the election period the New South Wales Electoral Commission (NSWEC) is the arbiter in the first instance of the laws and regulation of election signage.

In the event that Council is required to remove any electoral signage, Council will recover the cost of removal from the candidate.

For further information see:

- NSWEC website and Candidate Handbook:
<https://www.elections.nsw.gov.au/Electoral-material-information>
- Election Act 2007
- State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008
- Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.