# Sisters Sign Code Ordinance



## Overview

Real estate signs are an essential tool for REALTORS® that not only advertise a listing, but also represent the agent's brand and reputation. As such, REALTORS® naturally work to determine the ideal structure and placement of their signs, including open house signs. But before placing a sign for your next listing, it is important to be familiar with the rules and regulations related to sign usage and placement in the city of Sisters. If you see a sign that does not comply with City of Sisters standards, please attempt to contact the agent or the agent's managing principal broker prior to reporting the sign to city enforcement staff.

## Is an application required?

No. Real estate signs do not require a permit in the city of Sisters so long as they adhere to the following requirements.

## **Requirements**

- 1. Signs must not exceed 12 square feet in area and 6 feet in height
- Signs must be unlighted
- 3. Signs advertising the sale, rental or lease of a property must be placed on the premises of the property being advertised
- 4. Signs shall be removed no later than 14 days after the sale or lease of, or expiration of the listing



### Do's & Don'ts:

#### DO'S:

- Obtain the permission of the property owner on which signs are displayed
- Ensure your sign is maintained and in a state of good repair
- Remove open house signs and directional signage immediately following an open house
- Ensure your sign is constructed of non-reflective materials and paint
- Comply with vision clearance and ADA accessibility standards

#### DON'TS:

- Place signs in such a manner as to cause a public safety hazard
- Place signs in, or extend onto, public rights of way
- Prevent or inhibit ingress or egress through any door or window required or designated for access to any building
- Obstruct a fire escape or attach a sign to a fire escape
- Create a hazard by obstructing clear view of pedestrian and vehicular traffic
- Obstruct a sidewalk, walkway, or other space used by pedestrians
- Interfere with any utility wires or supports
- Place a sign on a designated historic landmark site

This FAQ is meant to serve as a guide. It is not a complete list of policies or requirements. For the full list of rules related to signs within the city of Sisters, reference Chapter 3.4 of the City of Sisters Development Code regarding signs. In addition, signs are subject to the CC&R's of the development in which they are placed. The language used on signs is regulated by the Oregon Real Estate Agency. If you have questions about what language needs to be included on your signs, please reference the advertising rules (OAR 863-015-0125) - Division 15 of the Real Estate

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