



## **Political Sign Rules**

Bar Harbor Land Use Ordinance Section 125-67 BB and Maine Revised Statute Title 23, §1913-A

### Political Signs:

Political signs, on private properties, may be placed within the public right-of-way provided they conform to the following conditions:

1. Political signs may be placed within the public right-of-way for a maximum of 12 weeks per calendar year, except that the sign may not be placed within the public right-of-way for more than 6 weeks from January 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup> or for more than 6 weeks from July 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>.
2. Political signs may not be displayed for more than 42 days prior to the appropriate election and must be removed within two days following the election.
3. Political signs may not be placed in a way as to constitute a traffic or pedestrian safety hazard.
4. A political sign may not be placed within 30-feet of another political sign bearing the same or substantially the same message.
5. A political sign may not exceed six-square feet in total sign area.
6. A political sign must be marked with:
  - a. The name and address of the individual, entity or organization that placed the sign within the public right-of-way and;
  - b. Must be marked with the date the sign was erected within the public right-of-way.
7. Political signs may not be:
  - a. Painted or drawn upon a rock or other natural feature, and/or;
  - b. Erected or maintained on a traffic control sign or device; a public utility pole or fixture; a tree in a public right-of-way; or a median less than 6 feet wide.

These rules do not apply to political signage located on private property, outside the public right-of-way.

For more information about signage, please contact the Code Enforcement Office at: 207-288-3329.