

1-2-1: REPEAL OF GENERAL ORDINANCES:

All general ordinances of the Village passed prior to the adoption of this Municipal Code are hereby repealed, except such as are included in this Municipal Code or are by necessary implication herein reserved from repeal (subject to the saving clauses contained in the following sections), and excluding the following ordinances which are not hereby repealed: tax levy ordinances; appropriation ordinances; ordinances relating to boundaries and annexations; franchise ordinances and other ordinances granting special rights to persons or corporations; contract ordinances and ordinances authorizing the execution of a contract or the issuance of warrants, notes or bonds; salary ordinances; ordinances relating to the establishment, dedication, opening, grade, naming, improvement, altering, widening or vacating of any streets, alleys, sidewalks, parks or public grounds; improvement ordinances; bond ordinances; ordinances relating to elections; ordinances relating to the transfer or acceptance of real estate by or from the Village; ordinances regulating subject matters reserved from enactment in this Municipal Code; and all special ordinances not in conflict with the provisions of this Municipal Code.

No ordinance or part of any ordinance heretofore repealed shall be considered reordained or re-enacted by virtue of this Municipal Code, unless specifically re-enacted. The repeal of any curative or validating ordinance does not impair or affect any cure or validation already effected thereby.

8-10-4: EXEMPT SIGNS:

The following signs are permitted for the following uses and purposes without a permit provided that all conditions and restrictions of this chapter are satisfied:

A. Address Identification Signs: Address identification signs shall be required on all premises subject to the following:

1. The total sign area shall not exceed two (2) square feet.
2. The sign shall include only the address and name of the occupant or business establishment.
3. The sign must be flat against the building.
4. The sign shall not be internally illuminated or include external lights as a specific part of the sign.

B. For sale, for rent, garage sale signs: "for sale", "for rent", and "garage sale" signs, subject to the following:

1. There shall be not more than one such sign per zoning lot, except that on a corner lot two (2) signs, one facing each street, shall be permitted.
2. No single sign face shall exceed six (6) square feet.
3. Not more than two (2) sign faces are permitted per sign.
4. No ground sign shall be located higher than six feet (6') above established grade.
5. No sign shall (be located or) project beyond the property line.
6. No sign shall be internally illuminated or include external lights as a specific part of the sign.
7. Garage sale signs may be displayed only on the day of the garage sale and shall be located only on private property.
8. "Help wanted" signs shall not exceed sixteen (16) square feet in any zoning district.

C. Traffic And Parking Signs: Traffic and parking signs, subject to the following:

1. Signs designating parking area entrances or exits are limited to one sign for each exit or entrance and one sign indicating conditions of use.
2. No single sign face shall exceed four (4) square feet.
3. Not more than two (2) sign faces are permitted per sign.
4. The sign shall include only directional or parking information and shall be of a noncommercial nature.
5. The maximum height above established grade shall not exceed forty two inches (42") for ground signs and ten feet (10') for wall signs.
6. No sign shall (be located or) project beyond the property line except where allowed in the B-2 business district.

D. Memorial Signs: Memorial signs, subject to the following:

1. The sign shall include only the date of construction and name of the building.
2. The sign shall be inlaid so as to be an integral part of the structure, cut into stone or masonry, or be a permanently affixed plaque of bronze or aluminum.
3. The sign shall not exceed four (4) square feet.

- E. Schools, Public And Private Institutions: Schools, public and private institutions, and member organizations as defined in the Lake Zurich zoning code, subject to the following:
1. Area And Number: There shall be not more than one such sign per zoning lot or lots having a single use, except that on a corner lot two (2) signs, one facing each street, shall be permitted. No sign shall exceed thirty two (32) square feet in area nor be closer than eight feet (8') to any other lot.
 2. Height: No sign shall project higher than one story or ten feet (10') above curb level.
 3. Projection: No sign shall (be located or) project beyond the property line.
- F. Public Signs: Signs of a noncommercial nature and erected in the public interest by or on the order of a public official, such as safety signs, legal notices, danger signs, trespassing signs, traffic signs, memorial plaques, signs of historical interest, and other similar signs. Downtown gateway signs shall be permitted in the public right of way or on private property abutting a public right of way, the height of which sign shall not exceed twelve feet (12') from the finished grade.
- G. Flags, Symbols, State, Village, Fraternal, Religious, Or Civic Organization Signs: If the pole is over twenty feet (20') in height, structural information on the base or foundation shall be recorded with the building department. Flags shall be limited as provided in subsection 8-10-3J of this chapter.
- H. Public Information Signs: Signs indicating restrooms, telephones, or similar signs for public information when not exceeding two (2) square feet in size.
- I. No Trespassing, No Dumping Signs: No trespassing and no dumping signs, not exceeding two (2) square feet in area.
- J. Holiday Decorations: Decorations on private property clearly incidental and customary, and commonly associated with, national, local, or religious holidays, provided they shall be displayed for a period of not more than forty five (45) days for each holiday.
- K. Window Promotional Signs: Window promotional signs shall be permitted interior to a glass show window and shall be in addition to all other authorized signs, provided that for the first six feet (6') above ground floor level not more than ten percent (10%) of the

window area shall be covered by such sign or signs, and above the six foot (6') height not more than fifty percent (50%) of the window area shall be covered by such signs.

L. Regulatory Or Informational: Regulatory or informational signs on auto fuel station properties not exceeding two (2) square feet.

M. Political Message Signs: Political message signs shall be permitted on private property without a permit in any zoning district; provided that: 1) no more than two (2) such signs shall be permitted per lot; 2) no such sign is located in a required yard; and 3) no such sign exceeds six (6) square feet in sign area. (Ord. 2009-09-657, 9-21-2009)

N. Outdoor Political Campaign Signs:

1. Except as provided herein, outdoor political campaign signs shall be permitted within private property without a permit in any zoning district; provided that:
 - a. Time Limitations: Such signs are only permitted for a period of not more than thirty (30) days prior to an election and shall be removed within five (5) days following said election;
 - b. Location: Such signs are not located within fifteen feet (15') of a street intersection;
 - c. Illumination: Such signs are not illuminated;
 - d. Size Limitations: Such signs do not exceed sixteen (16) square feet in sign area; and
 - e. Residential Property Exemption: Outdoor political campaign signs on residential property are exempt from this subsection provided that:
 - (1) Any individual sign shall not exceed sixteen (16) square feet in sign area;
 - (2) The sign clearly appears to a reasonable person to pertain to an identifiable political campaign and to that campaign only; and
 - (3) No exterior lights shall be used in conjunction with any such sign.
2. Unless an outdoor political campaign sign includes on its face the name of the person or ~~organization~~ responsible for such sign, the owner of the private property on which such sign is located shall be deemed responsible for the sign.
3. Any sign under this subsection constituting an actual danger or nuisance to the public health, safety and welfare may be abated according to relevant provisions of this code. (Ord. 2011-02-757, 2-7-2011)

O. A-Frame Signs:

1. Except as provided herein, A-frame signs on any zoning lot shall be exempt from regulation under this title, provided that:
 - a. No such sign exceeds twenty four inches (24") in width or forty two inches (42") in height;
 - b. Such signs are on or immediately adjacent to the sidewalk;
 - c. Such signs are displayed only during hours when the business is open and being conducted on the lot on which such signs are located;
 - d. Such signs do not restrict foot traffic on the sidewalk or other areas where customers or passersby may walk, and a restriction is deemed to exist when the sign results in a walkway with a width of less than five feet (5'), or when any handicapped access is obstructed in any way; and
 - e. Each business is limited to one A-frame sign.
2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, exempt A-frame signs may not be placed on property owned by another without the owner's consent, and may not be used or placed in conjunction with any external or internal illumination. (Ord. 2011-03-764, 3-7-2011)

8-10-5: TEMPORARY SIGNS:

The director of building and zoning in accordance with the provisions hereof and subject to the standards herein established, is authorized to issue permits for the erection and maintenance of temporary signs. (Ord. 2011-03-764, 3-7-2011)

A. Permitted Temporary Signs:

1. Business signs calling attention to a special, unique, or limited activity, service, product, or sale of limited duration.
2. Signs giving notice of events and activities sponsored by civic, patriotic, religious, or charitable organizations for noncommercial purposes. (Ord. 2009-09-657, 9-21-2009)
3. Real estate "for sale" and "for rent" signs for other than one single-family residence, subject to the provisions of subsection 8-10-4B of this chapter.