

Electoral Signage Guidelines

Council Elections



MORNINGTON
PENINSULA
Shire

Objective ID: A11544058

Signage on the Mornington Peninsula must comply with:

- The *Mornington Peninsula Community Amenity Local Law 2022*
- The Mornington Peninsula Planning Scheme
- The *Environment Protection Act 1970*

The following guidelines provide for the placement of all signage within the Mornington Peninsula Shire:

Where signs can be placed (private land)

Electoral signs are permitted on private land with the owner's consent and without the need for a planning permit, provided that:

- they are not located on road reserves, i.e. road pavement, median strips, traffic signals, electricity poles etc.
- they are stable and securely fixed to fences or poles on private land, and not attached to trees
- the advertisement area does not exceed 5 square meters
- only one sign is displayed on the land
- they are not animated or internally illuminated
- they are not displayed longer than 14 days after the event is held, or 3 months, whichever is sooner.

Where signs cannot be placed (Council land)

Electoral signs are **not** permitted on roads, municipal buildings, reserves or Council land, including any structures such as bus shelters, light poles within road reserves.

Definitions are listed below; however, in general terms, no electoral advertising is permitted on roads, parkland or Council property.

- No signage can be placed/erected on any council road or reserve (including parks and sporting grounds). Where signs have been placed on VicRoads roads or reserves, Council may ask candidates to provide proof they have been granted permission.
- Mobile billboards, (trailer types and signs that are placed in or on a vehicle) are not to be left standing / stationary as in (1) above. This type of signage has to be mobile at all times.
- Vehicles (other than trailers) that are permanently sign written may display signage, provided that they meet parking legislation requirements including time limits etc.
- The *Environmental Protection Act 1970* (Litter section) prohibits the placing of any form of advertising on the windscreens of vehicles anywhere (public or private land)
- Banners, flags are also prohibited as in (1) above and are not to be attached to any fixtures located on any of the roads or reserves as in (1).

Council may remove non-compliant signs where located on Council land and retain them for collection by the candidate.

For further information: please contact election.information@mornpen.vic.gov.au

Authorisation of electoral material

A person must not print, publish or distribute or cause, permit or authorise to be printed, published or distributed, an electoral advertisement, handbill, pamphlet or notice unless it is compliant with the relevant authorisation requirements (Federal, State or Local).