



West Branch Township

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West Branch Township Sign Policies and Procedures

West Branch Township updated its sign regulations on July 27th 2018. These updated regulations have changed previous township regulations prior to July 27th 2018. The Township board followed all regulatory procedures including public meeting notices, planning commission review and township board final approvals on the Regulator Changes

Below details some of the biggest changes and have the greatest impact on sign regulations.

Section 7.4 Prohibited Signs (G.) – Any signs that imitate, resemble, interfere, or obstruct official traffic light, signs, or signals.

Section 7.5 Exempt Signs (H.) – American Flags, state, and local flags, and flags representing branches of the armed forces of the United States of America or person missing in action. **Flags and flagpoles shall not be located within a right-of-way.** Flags containing commercial messages may be used as permitted freestanding or projecting signs, and, if so used, the area flag shall be included in, and limited by the computation of allowable area for signs on the property. Flags up to three (3) sq. ft. in area containing noncommercial messages are considered personal expressions signs.

Section 7.6 General Regulations (A.) – **Unless a sign is exempt from permit requirements as specified in section 7.5, a Zoning Permit must be obtained from the Zoning Administrator prior to the construction or placement of any sign.**

Section 7.6 General Regulations (A-1 & 3) – **1. All signs shall be setback a minimum of Ten (10) Feet from all lot lines. 3. No Sign shall be placed in required clear vision areas at driveways or intersections.**

Section 7.9 Temporary Signs (A & B) – A-1. Shall conform to all General Regulations in section 7.6. A-2 Temporary signs shall not be illuminated. B-1 Size: 32 square feet. B-2 One (1) per parcel. If a parcel is greater than (5) acres and has at least 400 feet of Street frontage OR has in excess of 10,000 square feet of floor area, one (1) additional sign may be allowed as long as there is 200 feet between the two temporary signs. B-3 Height : Six (6) feet maximum from finished grade.

THE FULL REGULATIONS FROM JULY 2018 / ORDINANCE 45 ARE AVAILABLE TO READ ON THE WEST BRANCH TOWNSHIP WEBSITE.

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WE HOPE THIS SHORTENED IMPACT DOCUMENT WILL HELP WITH PEOPLES UNDERSTANDING OF WEST BRANCH TOWNSHIP SIGN REGULATIONS.