

**Sign Permit Application
Sussex County, Delaware**

Sussex County Planning & Zoning Department
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Sign Type: On-Premise Ground Wall Off-Premise Billboard

Illuminated/Non-Illuminated **If Illuminated EMC:** Y N

Name of Business:

Sign Dimensions:

Number of Sign Facings: **Total Square Footage:**

Tax Map #: **Property Zoning:**

Applicant Information

Applicant Name:
Applicant Address:
City, State, Zip:
Applicant Phone #: Applicant email:

Owner Information

Owner Name:
Owner Address:
City, State, Zip:
Owner Phone #: Owner email:

For office use only:

Application#

SIGN PERMIT INFORMATION

Wall signs § 115-159.5 (A) (5) (All Zoning Districts)

150 sq. feet or 15% of the total square footage of the wall area on which the signs are located, whichever is greater.

Ground signs § 115-159.5 (A) (6)

Survey required if within the following:

- Front yard setback 5 ft.
- Side yard setback 20 ft. or 25 ft. from the right-of-way of an intersection
- 100 ft. of a dwelling, church, school or public lands

§ 115-159.5 (A) (4)

- Max sign area 200 sq. feet of sign area per side

Billboards (off-premises signs) § 115-159.5 (B)

Permitted in C-1, CR-1, LI-1, LI-2 or HI-1 ZONING DISTRICTS ONLY

Special Use Exception required from the Board of Adjustment

- DeIDOT approval letter required
- No side-by-side or stacked signs permitted
- Max sign area 300 sq. ft. per side (600 sq. ft. total) under 4 lane roads
- Max sign area 600 sq. ft. per side (1200 sq. ft. total) on 4 or more lane roads

Survey required showing the following.

- 50 ft. separation distance from an on premise sign
- Front yard setback 40 ft.
- Side yard setback 50 ft.
- Rear yard setback equal to rear yard setback of Zoning District
- 150 ft. from edge property line from a dwelling, church, school or public lands

Roads which have less than 4 travel lanes (excluding turn lanes)

- Max height 25 ft.
- 600 ft. separation distance from another billboard measured as a radius

Roads which have 4 or more travel lanes (excluding turn lanes) (Rt1, Rt113, Rt13)

- Max height 35 ft.
- 600 ft. separation distance from another billboard measured linear on roads 4 lanes

NO VARIANCES

Non-conforming signs Damage by natural causes § 115-161.1 (A)

- May be replaced as it was before within 1 year of damage

Electronic Message Centers (EMC's) on premises sign § 115-161.1 (A)

Max sign area 200 sq. feet of sign area per side

- Permitted In C-1, CR-1, LI-1, LI-2, HI-1, B1, M and UB. Zoning Districts only
- NOT permitted in AR-1, AR-2, GR, MR, UR, HR-1, and HR-2 Zoning Districts unless specifically permitted as part of a conditional use.
- No continuous scrolling, flashing, live action or live streaming.

Lighting § 115-161 (B) (5B)

No illuminated sign, including Electronic Message Centers, shall have a maximum illuminance level greater than 0.3 foot candles above ambient light, as measured using a foot candle meter, or similar technology, at a pre-set distance. Pre-set distances to measure the foot candle impact vary with expected viewing distances of each sign size.