

TANEY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

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# SIGN PERMIT APPLICATION \$35.00 APPLICATION FEE

NOTE: You can complete this application form on your computer and then print a copy. Use your TAB key to move from line to line, and then type in the required information. Print the completed form and submit it to the Planning & Zoning office.

PROPERTY OWNER				
Name:				
Address:				<u></u>
City:				
Phone:		Other:		
SIGN OWNER				
Name:				
Address:				
City:	State:		_ Zip Code: _	
Phone:				
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will be revoked. I understand a Commission and the Planning				

Commission and the Planning Commission. I agree to all inspections on my property as necessary to ensure compliance with all county codes relevant to this application. The property owner is responsible for adherence to all private restrictions and requirements.

Signature:	Date:		
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:			
Inspector:	Permit #:		
Permit Date:	State Permit #:		

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Does the P	operty lie in the 1	00-year floodp	ain?(Circle o	ne)YesNo
Section	Township	Range	1/4	1/4
Highway o	Road Sign Faces			
State Permi	t Number			
NOTE:	If more than two			•
	owner within Ta	•		
	of each sign is re	quested by this	office, and the	ne map must

Size	Height
Spacing: (Measured line	ear along road in both directions)
Front	Back
On-Site Land-Use	
Land-Uses Within 500 I	Feet in Both Directions (Districts II and III only):
Structure: (Mono- or M	ulti- Pole)
Date of Construction	
Constructed by	

A sketch/diagram that clearly delineates the sign and its location on the property is required showing set-backs, property lines, other signs and any other information as required by the Planning Department. All signs must meet size, height, location, and spacing requirements for the district it is placed in. Please refer to Appendix O of the Taney County Development Guidance Code for specifics.

**District I** (State Hwy. 65): You must comply with the Missouri Highway and Transportation Department Regulations, as well as the height restriction maximum of 55' (or 50' above ground surface where the ground surface elevation exceeds road surface elevation).

**District II and III**: 100' from any residential structure, 25' from all side or rear residential lot line, 5' from right-of-way, 500' from a scenic overlook, and within 500' of a commercial land use. There may be no illumination within 250' of a residential structure.



## APPENDIX G Sign Permit Application Requirements

### 1. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

Off-premise or outdoor advertising is a legitimate commercial use of property adjacent to road systems. This regulation is intended to provide for the orderly management of this commercial use to promote safety, convenience, business development, and enjoyment of travel, while preserving the natural scenic beauty of Taney County.

This code is adopted pursuant to the authority of RSMo 226.527 that allows local zoning authorities to regulate signs relative to size, lighting, spacing, and location.

### 2. PROCEDURES

All <u>off-premise advertising signs</u> are structures requiring a <u>Sign Permit</u>. Permits must include, at a minimum, the following information:

- completed application signed by the property owner of record, or a certified copy of the lease agreement (financial information can be blanked out)
- sketch or drawing that clearly delineates the location of the sign relative to surrounding roads, buildings, or other pertinent structures.

### 3. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 3.1. Any off-premise advertising sign that is less than or equal to 32 square feet in size is exempt from these provisions and shall not require a permit.
- 3.2. A minimum of a five (5) foot setback from the right-of-way is required for all off-premise signs. This setback is measured from the right-of-way to the nearest part of the sign.
- 3.3. Any sign which sustains 50 percent (%) or more damage or alteration to its structure for any reason, shall (if replaced) be rebuilt in compliance and with a new permit required. If vandalism can be proven as the cause of the damage, a variance can be requested from the <u>Board of Adiustment</u>. The request for a variance is not to be considered a guaranteed right.
- 3.4. Any sign that is moved to a new location will be considered a new structure and shall comply with the requirements of this regulation.
- 3.5. No off-premise advertising sign or structure, of any size, shall be allowed within a platted residential subdivision.
- 3.6. Illuminated signs shall be designed, located, oriented, and constructed to eliminate direct light and significantly reduce glare on any property not under the same ownership and control as the sign. The lighted area shall be confined to the face of the structure as intended and shall not increase the lighting intensity upon adjoining premises that are not under the same ownership and control. Within 250 feet of any residence or primarily residential structure, no illumination of an off-premise sign shall occur between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

### 4. SIGN REQUIREMENTS

### 4.1. Permitted Locations

- (a) <u>District I</u>: All of State Highway 65 from the Christian County line to the Arkansas State line.
- (b) <u>District II</u>: All numbered State Highways and the following lettered highways: F, H, V, J (between State Highway 76 and JJ), and JJ, all within Taney County.
- (c) <u>District III</u>: All other roads, streets and highways in Taney County that are not included in Districts I and II.

### 4.2. Sign Height Measurement Methods

#### 4.2.1. ABOVE ROAD SURFACE MEASUREMENT The maximum vertical distance measured from the centerline of the

The maximum vertical distance measured from the centerline of the road to the tallest portion of an off-premise sign at the closest point between sign and road.

### 4.2.2. ABOVE GROUND SURFACE MEASUREMENT The maximum vertical distance measured from the ground surface at the centerbase of the sign to the top of the sign.

### 4.3. District Provisions

The following define specific sign requirements based on the district in which the sign would be constructed. These data are also shown in the Table G-1 below. The referenced state regulation comes from sections 226.500 to 226.600 of the Missouri Revised State Statutes. Only the referenced requirements apply, with any inconsistencies will be interpreted by the Designated Official in favor of the county's code requirements.

OFF-SITE SIGNS	District I	District II	District III
Size (max.)	1,200	800	500
Height (max.)	55	45	35
Spacing (min.)	400	500	300

TABLE G-1 Dimensional Requirements for Signs

Note: Detailed explanations and applicable deviations are described below.

### 4.3.1. DISTRICT I

All off-premise signs shall conform to the requirements of the Missouri Highway and Transportation Department for a divided four lane limited access primary route, with the following additions:

• Maximum Height: 55 ft.

*Note:* If the ground surface elevation exceeds the road surface elevation, then the maximum height shall be 50 ft. above the ground surface.

The general requirements of the Missouri Transportation Department for a four lane limited access primary route are:

- Maximum Size: 1,200 sq.ft.
- Minimum Spacing: 500 ft. (and at least 500 ft. from interchange ramps)

### 4.3.2. DISTRICT II

All off-premise signs shall conform to the following specific requirements as well as all special provisions within this regulation:

- Maximum Size: 800 sq.ft.
- Maximum Height: 45 ft.
- Minimum Spacing: 500 ft.

### 4.3.3. DISTRICT III

All off-premise signs shall conform to the following specific requirements as well as all special provisions within this regulation:

- Maximum Size: 400 sq.ft.
- Maximum Height: 35 ft.
- Minimum Spacing: 300 ft.

### 4.3.4. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

These provisions apply to District II and III signs only.

- 4.3.4.1. Off-premise signs must be either on property used for an operating commercial land use or within 500 feet of the improved area of an operating commercial land use, but not within 100 feet of any residence or primarily residential structure, and be at least 25 feet from any side or rear property line (residential or otherwise).
- 4.3.4.2. No off-premise sign may be located within 500 feet of a designated scenic overlook.
- 4.3.4.3. When an incorporated community does not have existing controls on off-premise signs, the Taney County regulations shall apply based on the roadway designation and a minimum spacing requirement of 100 feet. The incorporated community shall be given an opportunity to review the sign permit prior to approval and issuance by the county.
- 4.3.4.4. Development Directional / Location Signs

A temporary permit is available for developments, residential or commercial, that are in the construction phase. The following conditions shall apply:

- permit is issued with a one-year (1) limit
- the sign shall meet all district requirements (I and II), except the commercial situation
- while the development is under construction, a total of two (2), oneyear (1) extensions may be authorized, but will double any future permit costs
- 4.3.4.5. An off-premise signs that has any moving, flashing, waving, or other distracting elements or characteristics must be specifically approved by the Planning & Zoning department. In no case shall a sign copy or mimic an emergency service vehicle.