

# Sign Restrictions, Definitions, & Enforcement Policy

For the purpose of defining Article 16 of the Bylaws, following are the definitions of terms used in the Article:

**Advertisement or Commercial Signs** – A sign or display used to identify or promote a place of business or a product including information beyond the company name.

**Builder/Contractor** – May only be a maximum size of 3' x 3' and used to identify the company contracted for the construction or repair of a residence.

**Flags** – Are not considered signs and may be permitted. They shall not be larger than 3'x5' and must be attached to a flagpole or to a structure. Flags containing profanity, offensive language, or images will NOT be allowed.

**For Sale** – May only be a maximum size of 3' x 3' and used for the purpose of an active listing to sell a home offered by a realtor, owner, or builder.

**Political Sign** – May only be a maximum size of 3' x 3' and used for the purpose of supporting or opposing any candidate who is seeking an elected office; or expressing support or opposition to a political party or political issue on the ballot. Such signage must comply with election regulations of the State of Ohio.

**Special Event Sign** – May only be a maximum size of 3' x 3', and are defined as, "yard/garage sale", wedding, shower, or graduation.

## **ENFORCEMENT POLICY**

1. Signs are not permitted on AVPOA common properties, street berms, or attached to street signposts, or AVPOA signs, and will be removed immediately.
2. For Sale signs must be attached to or placed on or against a residence or dock. Placement may not exceed 10 feet beyond the home. With prior AVPOA approval, any sign placement outside of these guidelines may be placed in cases of unusual circumstances, on a case-by-case basis.
3. Signs are not permitted on vacant lots.
4. Violations of any regulations related to signage may result in any of the following:
  - a. Removal of signs.
  - b. Notifying the owner of the violation.
  - c. Other fines and penalties in accordance with article 3.9 of the AVPOA Bylaws.
5. The Board of Directors will establish and publish dates when political signs can be erected.

## **Article 16 - Sign Restrictions**

**Statement of Intent:** This Article is intended to clarify and further define the intent of Restrictive Covenants, Article VII, Section 2, Paragraph 4, in order to better control signs and advertising within Apple Valley. Such controls are intended for the protection of property values with the goal of maintaining an "eye pleasing" appearance of the overall community. The Board of Directors may establish policies and procedures necessary for enforcement of signage restrictions and controlling placement of approved signs within the boundaries of Apple Valley. Refer to Sign Restrictions, Definitions, and Enforcement Policy.

**16.1.** "For Sale" signs are permitted only for residential sale purposes and shall be limited to a maximum of two (2) signs per residence.

**16.2.** Political signs are permitted prior to an election and must be removed within three (3) days after the election.

**16.3.** No advertisement or commercial signs are permitted. The only exception shall be limited to one (1) "builder/contractor" sign, which may be displayed during approved construction/repair project and must be removed upon completion of construction/repair.

**16.4.** Special event signs shall only be permitted on the day of the event and shall be removed immediately after close of the event.