



Signs in Residential Areas

See Section 5 of the Town of Lumsden Zoning Bylaw for more information.

A sign is a notice for a space or area, identifying or advertising an activity, and visible to the public.

How big can a sign be?

General signs may be a maximum of 0.5 m² in size.

Signs for **home-based businesses** may be a maximum of 0.4 m² in size

Temporary signs may be a maximum of 1.0 m² in size.

Please see the Town of Lumsden Zoning Bylaw No. 15, 2002 to find a property's zoning district.

How many signs can I have on my residential property?

One permanent sign is permitted per site in residential districts, except for the R1 district where one permanent sign is permitted **only** if for a home-based business.

Are temporary signs permitted?

Temporary signs are permitted for temporary conditions e.g. advertising property sale or lease, etc.

Can I put up signs for a garage or yard sale?

Yes, but the signs must not:

- create a safety or traffic hazard,
- be placed to limit vision in a sight triangle (Figure 1),
- be in the shape of directional signs (e.g. yield signs), or
- use the word STOP or any directional symbol.

Signs **may** be placed on private property with landowners' consent.

Signs **may not** be placed on public property.



Figure 1. Sight lines on corner lots example

Can I have a sign for my home-based business?

One additional permanent sign is permitted for home-based businesses (i.e. there may be two (2) signs advertising a home-based business on a site).

Signs for home-based businesses must be 0.4 m² or smaller. The one additional sign is allowed in the window of the home-based business.

Can signs be placed on heritage sites?

Small plaques, markers, and interpretation signs are encouraged on properties with significant natural or human heritage resources.

Signs must:

- a) be approved by the property's landowner;
- b) have appropriate scale, design, and placement with the site;
- c) not cause safety concerns; and
- d) not negatively impact the heritage value of the site.