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Be a responsible candidate.

Please take responsibility for removing all campaign posters immediately after the general election.

**Don't** let your posters remain behind as negative signs of environmental blight.

**Don't** trash the city.

**Do** remove your posters.

*Thank you for making a visible difference.*

**A Clean City: It's Everyone's Job!**

"When the party's over ..."  
Please take your posters home with you.

## **Guidelines for Placing and Removing Political Campaign Posters on Public Space in the District of Columbia**



**Government of the  
District of Columbia**

*Candidates for Elected Office:*

*Even though candidates for political office in the District are allowed to place SIGNS, POSTERS AND PLACARDS throughout the city, there are restrictions within the law that you and your campaign supporters should know about and follow.*

*The following excerpts from the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR) Title 24 provide specifics of the law that pertain to posting and removal of campaign materials in public space.*

*By following these regulations, you will ensure that your campaign signs will serve their intended purpose — as civic reminders of the importance of exercising the right to vote — rather than as unfortunate signs of environmental blight and potential litter.*

## THE LAW

108.1 No person shall affix a sign, advertisement or poster to any public street light or traffic signal, except as provided in accordance with this section.

108.2 The placing of any advertisement on any tree in the public space **with nails** is prohibited.

108.5 Posters of individuals seeking political office in the District can be displayed in the public space only after candidates have met the requirements of S210 of the D.C. Campaign Finance Reform and Conflict of Interest Act (D.C. Code, S1-1420).

108.6 Political campaign literature materials shall be removed **no later than 30 days** following the general election.

108.7 Each sign, advertisement, or poster shall contain the date upon which it was initially affixed to a street light or traffic signal.

108.8 Each sign, advertisement, or poster shall be affixed securely to avoid being torn or disengaged by normal weather conditions.

108.9 Signs and posters shall not be affixed by adhesives that prevent their complete removal from the fixture, or that do damage to the fixture. (It is illegal to use tape in affixing signs to lampposts.)

108.10 No more than **three** versions or copies of each sign, advertisement, or poster shall be affixed on **one side of a street within one block**.

**NOTE:** Even though the law allows posters to remain up 30 days after the general election, candidates are asked to remove all signs as soon as possible after the election.

A complete set of the Regulations in Title 24 of the DCMR is available from:

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