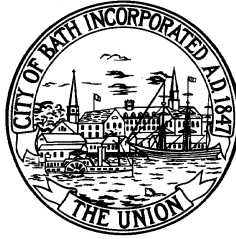


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OFF PREMISES DIRECTIONAL SIGN PERMIT APPLICATION

Fee: \$60.00

Inspection Deposit: \$100.00

Map/Lot _____

Sign Owner: _____

Address: _____

Location of business to be advertised: _____

Location of sign: _____

Sign Text: _____

Sketch Below the location of the proposed sign. Include street names.

OFF PREMISES DIRECTIONAL SIGN PROGRAM STANDARDS

The following text describes the standards and procedures for erecting private off premises directional signs.

1. Business or organizations located over ½ mile outside the Central Business District may, with a permit, be advertised on City secondary kiosks if space permits and a waiver has been granted by the Appeals Board. If a secondary kiosk does not exist at the desired location, the business or organization may erect an independent off premises directional sign.
2. Independent off premises signs fall into two categories, Department of Transportation Off premises Business Directory Signs, and privately owned signs.
 - a) DOT signs: If the location you want the sign to go is under DOT control (such as on Route One), you first secure your local permit to have an off premises sign, and then apply to the DOT for a State sign permit. If approved, they erect and maintain the sign. Contact the DOT at 596-2230 for details on their program.
 - b) Local Signs: If the area you want the sign is under City control (most local streets), you secure the local sign permit, and then you erect and maintain the sign at your expense per the following procedures.
 - i) All the subject signs and signposts will be constructed to the specified design (see attached sketch). Signboards can be attached so as to be visible from one direction or two, depending on sign location. Pressure treated wood does not take stain well until it's weathered about a year. Within 1 year of installation the post must be stained black.
 - ii) All signs and signposts will be purchased by and remain the property of the subject business/organization/individual.
 - iii) Off premises directional signs are subject to the provisions of the City's sign ordinance, including those involving maintenance. The maintenance of the subject signs and all associated costs will be the responsibility of the sign/signpost owner (s), including any replacement of the sign that may become necessary.
 - iv) Up to 5 signboards may be erected on a single signpost. Space on a given signpost will be allocated on a first come first serve basis and the signpost owner will allow other businesses/organizations to place signs on the post without discrimination (against similar businesses, etc.) as long as space is available. The signpost owner and parties wishing to erect subsequent signs on the same post will negotiate arrangements to share the costs and responsibilities associated with the use of the sign equitably, with the signpost owner recouping no more than "fair share" costs when subsequent signs are attached to the signpost. "Fair share" is the value of

the signpost divided by the number of signs on the post. The City of Bath has no part in these negotiations. They are entirely the responsibility of the sign owners/prospective sign owners involved.

- v) Signs can only be located at intersections. Sign can be placed in the City's right of way or on private property. If a sign is to be located on private property, written permission of the landowner must be secured prior to installation of the sign. If a sign is located in the City's right of way, the City is not responsible for any damage that might occur from road maintenance activities. The location of the sign on private or public property must be approved by the Public Works Director (443-8357) or her designee prior to installation of the sign. Following approval, the sign will be installed by the sign owner or his agent. All installation costs will be born by the sign owner(s).

3. This permit is revocable if the applicant fails to abide by the specified terms or provides erroneous or false information in the application process.

4. This permit is subject to appeal if an aggrieved party feels the sign ordinance has been interpreted or applied incorrectly.

Having read and understanding the above, I apply for a permit to erect the subject sign and agree to abide by the applicable procedures and standards.

Applicant's Name _____
(type or print)

Signature _____

Telephone Number _____

Email Address _____

Date _____

Applicant - Do not write below this line.

Business over 1/2 mile from CBD? _____

Appeals Board Approval Required? _____ Date Granted: _____

Comments _____

Code Enforcement Officer _____

Date Issued _____

Once signed by the Codes Officer this application becomes the permit.

OFF PREMISES DIRECTIONAL SIGN DESIGN SPECS

