

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS IN SOUTH FORSYTH

UDC 12-13.15 Signs.

(A) Applicability. All permissible sign types shall meet the respective requirements of the Forsyth County Sign Ordinance, whether or not the signs are visible from the public right-of-way. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Forsyth County Sign Ordinance limiting the definition of a sign to certain displays, devices or communications that are “visible from the public right of way of a county, city, or state road”, any display, device or communication on property used or zoned for commercial purposes in South Forsyth that would otherwise qualify as a sign but for the fact that it is not visible from the public right of way, shall be regulated as if they constituted a sign under the Sign Ordinance if the display, device or communication is visible from the property line.

(B) Window signs. Window signs shall not exceed twenty percent (20%) of the total area of each window in which the sign is located.

(C) Electronic message boards. Electronic message boards (EMBs) are prohibited except for:

(1) Fuel stations monument signs, which are allowed one (1) EMB per road frontage. The total electronic or changeable copy area for each sign shall not exceed a total of forty-six (46) square feet.

(2) Where the property has a principal use that is either a religious facility, college, university, private school as defined at O.C.G.A. 20-2-690(b), hospital, military or veteran organization, art gallery, museum, conference center, theater, or amphitheater.

(D) Primary Building Materials. Monument signs shall match primary building materials.