

IMPORTANT BY-LAWS FOR POSTERING IN CANADIAN CITIES

City	By-law and relevant sections	Interpretation
Toronto	https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/municode/1184_693.pdf : § 693-5.1, § 693-5.2, § 693-5.3	Where You Can Poster • Kiosks & Public Utility Poles (except Toronto Hydro poles) • Private Property (with the owner's permission) • Advocacy Posters can encroach onto public property if no space is available on private property, but only within specific distance limits from roads and sidewalks. Election Period Considerations • Election Signs are regulated separately from general posters. • No Postering Near Voting Places – Posters cannot be placed near polling stations, city parks, or city-owned facilities. • Removal Deadlines – Election-related posters must be removed within 72 hours after election day. • Additional Permits May Be Required if postering is done in high-traffic areas.
Mississauga	https://www.mississauga.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/16111138/Sign-By-Law-0054-2002.pdf § 22, § 21	Where You Can Poster • Designated Light Standards: Posters are allowed only on designated light poles fitted with a poster sleeve. • Posters cannot promote unlawful activities or violate public decency standards. • <i>The city can remove posters as part of regular maintenance.</i> Election Period Regulations • Election Signs are not allowed on public property, official signs, noise walls, or within 50m of polling station entrances • Posting Timeline: Can only be put up 29 days before a municipal election or after the writs are issued for federal/provincial elections. • Removal Deadline: Must be removed within 48 hours after election day.

Vancouver	https://vancouver.ca/doin-g-business/posters-and-signs-on-city-property.aspx#:~:text=Posters%20on%20city%20streets,-Use%20the%20poster&text=All%20sizes%20and%20types%20of,removed%20by%20our%20sanitation%20crews. https://vancouver.ca/files/cov/sign-by-law-user-guides-election-signs.pdf https://vancouver.ca/files/cov/election-and-political-sign-guidelines.pdf	Election and political signs are allowed on City poster cylinders and between the backs of sidewalks and the adjoining private property. Signs cannot be placed on City: • Sidewalks • Boulevards • Medians • Parks • Street lights • Other sidewalk amenities Any signs found in the areas listed above will be impounded and stored at the City at the expense of the party or candidate involved. Don't place posters on utility poles that have no poster cylinder or on any other area of City property. Posters placed illegally will be removed and discarded weekly and violators may be prosecuted.
Calgary	https://publicaccess.calgary.ca/ldm01/livelink.exe?func=ccpa.general&msgid=VyATqqTT&msgid=Download § 5(2), § 5(4), § 3(1), § 3(3), § 4(1)	Where You Can Poster • Unpainted street light poles, but only if no designated poster board is nearby. • City-designated poster boards, which are the preferred locations for poster. Prohibited Locations • Traffic signal poles. • Street light poles (unless specifically allowed) • Sound attenuation walls • Within 15m of intersections • On traffic islands/medians • Playgrounds or school zones. • Within 10m of crosswalk. • On prohibited highways as designated by the city. For Elections

		• Allowed on public highways, following general sign placement rules • must be 30m from intersections • Must be taken down within 72 hours after election day
Ottawa	https://ottawa.ca/en/living-ottawa/laws-licences-and-permits/laws/laws-z/signs-city-roads-law-no-2003-520	Where You Can Poster • Utility poles: 3 meters away from an intersection, 50 cm away from a sidewalk • Poster collars Prohibited Locations • Central medians • roundabouts For Elections • Placement deets above apply here • Permitted on public and private property (with consent ofc) • must be 30m from intersections • Placed no more than 30 days before election day • Must be taken down within 72 hours after election day