

IX. Signage Standards

For new signs, the standards in Table 9.1 shall apply and sign permits shall be approved administratively by the City of Fort Worth Building Official unless specifically noted in this section.

9.1 Applicability: Except as specifically listed below, all other signage and sign standards shall comply with Chapter 6, Article 4 of the City of Fort Worth Zoning Ordinance, as amended.

Table 9.1

Character Zone	Boulevard Mixed Use	Village Mixed Use	Highway Mixed Use	Campus Commercial	Transition	Neighborhood	Standard
Billboards Signs	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Billboard signs are not permitted in any character zone. Billboard signs in existence prior to the adoption of the TLD Code are permitted to remain, but shall not be reconstructed. Regular maintenance to existing billboards is permitted to ensure safety and regular use.
Attached Signs	P	P	P	P	P (comm. and live-work uses only)	P (comm. and live-work uses only)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For all ground floor commercial uses (retail, office, and restaurant): One sign per tenant space per public street frontage; area to be calculated at 1.5 sq. ft. per linear foot of tenant space façade along the public street frontage with a maximum of 100 sq. ft per tenant. Second and upper floor commercial uses may also be permitted one second floor wall sign per tenant space per public street frontage; area to be calculated at 1.5 sq. ft. per linear foot of second or upper floor frontage along that public street with a maximum of 125 sq ft. Institutional uses (non-profits and churches): One sign per tenant space per public street frontage; area to be calculated at 1.5 sq. ft. per linear foot of public street frontage with a maximum of 100 sq. ft. Live-Work and Home occupations: One sign limited to an area of 20 sq. ft. max. Building sign may encroach, a maximum of 12", on to a sidewalk while maintaining a vertical clearance of 8 ft. from the finished sidewalk if it is non-illuminated and 11 ft from the finished sidewalk if it is illuminated. Building signs may be internally or externally lit. Marquee signs as only permitted as specified below.
Monument Signs	P	P	P	P	NP	NP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One monument sign per lot per lot street frontage (no more than 2 per lot separated by at least 100 ft.) limited to a maximum of 75 sq. ft. per sign face and 6 ft. in height. Monument signs in the Village Mixed Use shall be permitted along Type "B" Streets only.

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Sign Type							Standard
Window Signs	P	P	P	P	P (comm. uses only)	P (comm. uses only)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited to 10% of the window area. In the Transition and Neighborhood Zones, window signs are only permitted for commercial uses (including the “work” component of live-work uses). The following shall be exempt from this limitation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Addresses, closed/open signs, hours of operation, credit card logos, real estate signs, and now hiring signs. Mannequins and storefront displays of merchandise sold. Interior directory signage identifying shopping aisles and merchandise display areas.
Building Blade Signs	P	P	P	P	P (comm. uses only)	P (comm. uses only)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One per building (commercial and mixed use buildings only) per public street frontage Area = 30 sq. ft. maximum per sign face. May encroach a maximum of 6 ft. over a sidewalk, but shall not encroach over any parking or travel lane. Building blade signs may be attached to the building at the corners of building or along any street facing façade above the first floor facade. Minimum vertical clearance from the finished sidewalk shall be 11 ft.
Tenant Blade Signs	P	P	P	P	P (comm. uses only)	P (comm. uses only)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One per commercial tenant space (retail, office, or restaurant use) per public street frontage, if the tenant is on the corner of the building. Area = 16 sq. ft. maximum per sign face May encroach a maximum of 4 ft. over a public sidewalk, but shall not encroach over any parking or travel lane. Tenant blade signs shall be oriented perpendicular to the building façade and hung under the soffit of an arcade or under a canopy/awning or attached to the building façade immediately over the ground floor tenant space while maintaining a vertical clearance of 8 ft. from the finished sidewalk for non-illuminated signs and 11 ft. from the finished sidewalk for illuminated signs.
Marquee Signs	P	P	P	P	NP	NP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted for theatres, auditoriums, and other public gathering venues of 100 persons or more Marquee signs shall be attached to the building or located above or below a canopy only Area = 100 sq ft. maximum Message board may be changeable copy (non-electronic). Electronic message boards shall be permitted with a Special Exception from the Board of Adjustment.
For sale/for lease signs	P	P	P	P	P	P	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Size is limited to 32 sq. ft. per sign face All other standards are the same as City of Fort Worth Sign Regulations.
Address signs	P	P	P	P	P	P	Same as City of Fort Worth Sign Regulations
Temporary construction signs	P	P	P	P	P	P	Same as City of Fort Worth Sign Regulations
Banners	P	P	P	P	P	P	Same as City of Fort Worth Sign Regulations
Sandwich board signs	P	P	P	P	P	P	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted only for retail, service, or restaurant uses Limited to 8 sq. ft. per sign face per storefront; Sign may not exceed 4 ft. in height.

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							<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A minimum of 6 ft. of sidewalk shall remain clear. • Chalkboards may be used for daily changing of messages. Reader boards (electronic and non-electronic) shall be prohibited. • Sign shall be removed every day after the business is closed.
Directory signs	P	P	P	P	P	P	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shall be allowed for all multi-tenant commercial and mixed use buildings only • One directory sign per multi-tenant building limited to 12 sq. ft. in area • Design of the sign shall be integral to the façade on which the sign is to be affixed.

- 9.2 Unique Sign Applications.** An applicant has the option to establish unique sign standards including size, color, type, design, and location. Such applications shall be reviewed as “Unique Sign Plans” by the Development Services Director and are subject to approval of the UDC. In evaluating a Unique Sign Plan, the UDC shall consider the extent to which the application meets the following:
- 9.2.1 Promotes consistency among signs within a development thus creating visual harmony between signs, buildings, and other components of the property;
 - 9.2.2 Enhances the compatibility of signs with the architectural and site design features within a development;
 - 9.2.3 Encourages signage that is in character with planned and existing uses thus creating a unique sense of place; or
 - 9.2.4 Encourages multi-tenant commercial uses to develop a unique set of sign regulations in conjunction with development standards.

X. Open Space Design Standards

- 10.1 Applicability.** This chapter establishes the design standards of publicly accessible private open space and private open space Standards for Trinity Lakes. The detailed Open Space Design Standards for each type of publicly accessible private open space are included in this Section. These standards include general character, typical size, frontage requirements, and typical uses. The design standards are used to coordinate the style of design within Trinity Lakes.
- 10.2 Private Open Space Standards.** Given the mixed use nature of development within Trinity Lakes, all new residential and lodging uses within the development shall meet the private open space type requirements and standards established in this Section. Table 10.1

establishes the standards for different private open space types and Table 10.2 establishes the private open space requirement based on the proposed intensity of residential or lodging development.

Table 10.1 Private Open Space Types

<i>Private Open Space Type</i>	<i>Standards and criteria</i>
(i) Balconies	Balconies that are not flush shall be a minimum of 5 feet clear in depth and a minimum of 8 feet in width Balconies may be semi-recessed or recessed. Projecting metal or slab balconies are only permitted if they have some means of visible support.
(ii) Patios	Patios shall be a minimum of 150 sq.ft. Patios shall have a clear sense of enclosure and separation from the public realm.
(iii) Courtyard	Courtyards shall be surrounded on all sides by buildings with at least one pedestrian connection to an adjoining building or public sidewalk. The courtyard shall be a minimum of 200 square feet. Courtyard may be landscaped or a combination of landscape and hardscape. However, they shall contain amenities for residents such as seating, water features, etc.
(iv) Forecourt	A Forecourt shall be surrounded on at least two sides by buildings. A Forecourt shall be a minimum of 150 square feet.
(v) Playground	Playgrounds shall be a minimum of 400 sq.ft.
(vi) Community Garden	Maximum size shall be 1 acre Gardens shall be enclosed by a fence on all open sides. Fences should be installed straight and plumb, with vertical supports at a minimum of 8' on center. Chicken wire, if used, should be continuously supported along all edges. Fencing Materials: <u>Permitted:</u> pressure treated wood (must be painted or stained medium to dark color), chicken wire, wrought iron, painted galvanized steel <u>Not permitted:</u> chain link, bobbed wire, vinyl, unpainted/stained pressure treated wood, plywood