

POLICY 8252 SIGNS PLACEMENT
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Policy

The placement of privately owned signs on County property is prohibited. Signs placed on County property in violation of this policy may be removed by Dakota County without notice.

DEFINITIONS

Sign: a lettered board or display affixed to the land or to any improvement.

County Property: all real property and interest in real property owned or leased by Dakota County, including, but not limited to, parks, libraries, right-of-way, trails, grounds, and parking lots.

AUTHORITY

Minn. Stat. § 160.27, subd. 5 - prohibiting the placement of signs or objects in highway right-of-way

Minn. Stat. § 375.18, subd. 2 - providing county board authority to manage county property and buildings

Dakota County Board Resolution No. 03-407, adopted August 26, 2003.

BACKGROUND

Dakota County limits the use of its property to County purposes and, where appropriate, to other governmental units or entities. Placement of privately owned signs on County property is prohibited. Signs may not be staked into the ground or affixed to any improvement, such as, by way of example, buildings, light poles, traffic control devices, gates, or fences. The prohibition applies to commercial enterprises, non-profit organizations, political organizations and committees, religious organizations and all other private persons or organizations.

PROCEDURE

If privately owned signs are placed on County property, County staff is authorized to remove them. Signs removed by County staff will be stored temporarily at the Empire Transportation Garage for at least ten (10) days, after which they will be disposed of. Persons who desire to retrieve signs that have been removed may pick them up at the Empire Transportation Garage weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.