

Relevant Code Sections

Sec. 18-424. Sign Standards - Permanent Signs.

No permanent signs greater than 1.5 square feet in area are permitted for single-unit residential lots.

Sec. 18-425. Sign Standards - Temporary Signs.

1. Temporary window and yard signs are permitted provided they meet the following standards:

Type of Sign	Maximum Size	Maximum Duration
Window signs	Twenty-five (25) percent of total area of single window	Unlimited
Yard Signs	Per Sign: Four (4) square feet Total Sign Area: Twenty-four (24) square feet	Sixty (60) days

2. Signs not exceeding one and one-half (1.5) square feet in area are exempt from these regulations.

Sec. 18-820. Appeals of Zoning Administrator Decision.

- Right to Appeal.** Per State Code § 15.2-2301, of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, any applicant or any other person who is aggrieved by a decision of the zoning administrator made pursuant to the provisions of § 15.2-2299 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, may petition the Board of Zoning Appeals for review of the decision of the zoning administrator.
- Zoning Administrator Decision Must be Written and Appealable.** A decision by the Board of Zoning Appeals on an appeal taken pursuant to this section shall be binding upon the owner of the property that is the subject of such appeal only if the owner of such property has been provided written notice of the zoning violation, written determination, or other appealable decision, per § 15.2-2311 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended.
- Deadline on Right to Appeal.**
 - All applications for appeals of Zoning Administrator decisions shall be filed with the Zoning Administrator and with the clerk of the Board of Zoning Appeals within thirty (30) days from the date of the decision for which review is sought and shall specify the grounds upon which the petitioner is aggrieved. Any application submitted more than thirty (30) days after the date of the decision shall not be considered.
 - The Zoning Administrator may determine that appeals of decisions regarding temporary uses are subject to a limit of ten (10) days after the date of the decision for which an application for an appeal would be submitted.
- Final Decision.** The Board of Zoning Appeals shall hold a public hearing within ninety (90) days of the date of acceptance of the completed application. The Board of Zoning Appeals may uphold the Zoning Administrator decision, modify the decision, or overturn the decision.

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5. **Appeals.** Decisions by the Board of Zoning Appeals may be appealed to the Fairfax County Circuit Court, per State Code § 15.2-2285 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended.
 6. **Appeal Decision Standards.** The determination of the zoning administrator will be presumed correct. The appellant has the burden of proof to rebut such presumption of correctness by a preponderance of the evidence. The BZA must consider the record on appeal and any applicable ordinances, laws, and regulations in making its decision.
 7. **Notification.** Notice of the public hearing shall be provided as required by § 15.2-2204 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, as outlined in Division 5. However, when giving any required notice to the owners, their agents or the occupants of abutting property and property immediately across the street or road from the property affected, the board may give such notice by first-class mail rather than by registered or certified mail.