

Chapter 15.5

**SIGNS AND ADVERTISING**

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**ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL**

**Secs. 15.5-1—15.5-20. Reserved.**

**ARTICLE II. POLITICAL SIGNS\***

**Sec. 15.5-21. Definitions.**

For purposes of this article, the following terms or phrases shall have the meaning stated herein:

*Political sign:* Every device, design, picture, frame, letter, figure, character or reading matter used or intended to attract attention or convey information relating to the election of any candidate for political office or any question properly appearing on a ballot.

*Post or affix:* To place, attach, hang, suspend, fix or fasten in any way.

*Public property:* All public buildings and schools, including the lands thereof, as well as any public streets, sidewalks, crosswalks, curbs, street signs, hydrants, trees, poles, and any other appurtenances thereof.

(Ord. No. 640, § 1, 2-5-99)

**Sec. 15.5-22. Posting prohibited, where.**

No person shall post or affix any political signs to or upon any public property within the Town of East Haven.

(Ord. No. 640, § 2, 2-5-99)

**Sec. 15.5-23. Posting signs contrary to article.**

Any political sign found posted or affixed to or upon any public property contrary to the provisions of this article shall be removed by the department of public works. The candidate, campaign committee and committee treasurer shall be jointly and severally liable for the costs incurred in the removal of said signs.

(Ord. No. 640, § 3, 2-5-99)

**\*Editor's note**—Ord. No. 640, §§ 1—5, adopted Feb. 5, 1999, pertained to posting political signs on public property. Such ordinance did not specify manner of codification; hence, inclusion herein of such provisions as Art. II, §§ 15.5-21—15.5-25 was at the discretion of the editor.

**Sec. 15.5-24. Penalty for violation.**

Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this article shall be fined not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00), nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each offense, and a separate offense shall be deemed committed on each date during or on which a violation occurs or continues.

(Ord. No. 640, § 4, 2-5-99)

**Sec. 15.5-25. Exceptions to prohibition.**

Nothing herein shall prohibit the posting or affixing of any literature on public property as required by law and/or as authorized by the town clerk, secretary of state or state elections enforcement commission; nor shall this article prohibit any person from lawfully distributing any campaign literature at any polling place or other public property.

(Ord. No. 640, § 5, 2-5-99)

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