

Nottingham Rules for Electioneering on Election Day

NH Law requires the Moderator to provide a zone free of electioneering, enabling the voter to move from their car to the polling place without having to turn away from anyone who is electioneering in any way.

The following rules have been established:

DESIGNATED ELECTIONEERING AREA: Look for the orange cone corral. It is the absolute right of the voter to pass unimpeded to cast his/her vote.

~Political signs need to be physically held by someone. No free standing signs; however signs may be laid down on the ground for very short periods to accommodate breaks.

~All persons holding, wearing or passing out any promotional materials for or against a candidate, party or issue on the ballot **MUST REMAIN** inside the area designated for electioneering.

~Under no circumstances are candidates or campaigners to chase after voters, or call out to voters, or try to hand them material, or campaign for candidates or issues unless the voter has chosen to engage them within the designated electioneering area.

~You may come inside from time to time to use the bathroom or warm up, but you must leave all campaign material and signs outside.

~Do not come into the polling area except to vote. No campaign material <shirts, flyers, buttons, signs, etc> allowed in the voting area or inside the building on election day.

NO ELECTIONEERING/CAMPAIGNING anywhere in the parking area. The parking lot and parking areas are expressly OFF LIMITS. Signs may only be posted inside a vehicle in a manner in which the car could be legally and safely driven on the road. Dawn Fernald

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GENERAL RULES FOR ELECTIONEERING/CAMPAIGNING

664:17 Placement and Removal of Political Advertising. – No political advertising shall be placed on or affixed to any public property including highway rights-of-way or private property without the owner's consent. Town property consent must be given by BOS.

~ Signs shall not be placed on or affixed to utility poles or highway signs.

~ Political advertising may be placed within state-owned rights-of-way as long as the advertising does **not obstruct the safe flow of traffic and the advertising is placed with the consent of the owner of the land over which the right-of-way passes.**

- **Easements, including state or town right of ways along roads on private property are still PRIVATE PROPERTY.** The property have the right to remove signs.

~The property across from our polling place is PRIVATE PROPERTY, this includes all state or town easements. Signs may NOT be placed along 152 in the state and/or town right-of-way without **THE PERMISSION OF THE PROPERTY OWNER.**

~No person shall remove, deface, or knowingly destroy any political advertising which is placed on or affixed to public property or any private property except for removal by the owner of the property, persons authorized by the owner of the property, or a law enforcement officer removing improper advertising.

~ Political advertising placed on or affixed to any public property may be removed by state, city, or town maintenance or law enforcement personnel. Political advertising removed prior to election day by state, city, or town maintenance or law enforcement personnel shall be kept until one week after the election at a place designated by the state, city, or town so that the candidate may retrieve the items.

~All political advertising **shall be removed by the candidate no later than the second Friday following the election** unless the election is a primary and the advertising concerns a candidate who is a winner in the primary

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