

## Local & Regional Regulations

### Sign Ordinance/Septic Regulations



## Saint Paul

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Real estate signs, defined as a temporary sign placed upon a property advertising that particular property for sale, rent or lease, and excluding a cloth, vinyl or banner sign, are allowed in Saint Paul. Permits are not required if the sign is 6 square feet or less.

While directional signs or open house signs are not regulated, the Zoning Code specifically states that:

- No sign or sign structure shall be erected or maintained at any location where, by reason of its position, size, shape, content, color or illumination, it may obstruct, impair, obscure, interfere with the view of, or be confused with any traffic-control sign, signal or device, or where it may interfere with, mislead or confuse traffic.
- No signs shall be located in, project into or overhang a public right-of-way, except those projecting business signs permitted in business and industrial districts that do not violate Minnesota Statutes, section 160.27, and signs established by the city, county, state or federal governments.

This applies in all zoning districts of Saint Paul.

### Septic System Regulations

Follows MN Rule 7080. Systems are monitored and inspected by the city's Department of Safety & Inspections (S & I).

### Student Rental Housing Restrictions

In August 2012, the city of St. Paul enacted a student rental housing overlay district restricting student rentals within a specific and geographically defined area centered around the University of St. Thomas. The restrictions limit undergraduate student rental property to be no closer than 150' from each other and requires off street parking as proscribed by the ordinance. An initial registration period establishing grandfathering is underway and requests must be postmarked by no later than December 05, 2012. Realtors are advised to know this ordinance and where to get more information because whether a home is eligible to be used as a student rental is considered a material fact. [More Info](#)