



## VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS

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### Usage and Removal of Political Campaign Advertisements Notice

1. Each candidate whether of a federal, state, county, or district office, shall make a good faith effort to remove all of their political campaign advertisements within 30 days after:
  - a. Withdrawal of their candidacy;
  - b. Having been eliminated as a candidate; or
  - c. Being elected to office.

However, a candidate is not expected to remove those political campaign advertisements which are in the form of signs used by an outdoor advertising business as provided in Chapter 479. The provisions herein do not apply to political campaign advertisements placed on motor vehicles or to campaign messages designated to be worn on persons.

2. If political campaign advertisements are not removed within the specified period, the political subdivision has the authority to remove such signs and may charge the candidate the actual charge for such removal. Funds collected for removing such advertisement shall be deposited to the general revenue of the political subdivision.
3. Pursuant to Chapter 479, no political advertisements shall be erected, posted, painted, tacked, nailed or otherwise displayed, placed or located on or above any state or county road right-of-way.

#### **Reference: Florida Statute 106.1435**

SECTION 33-99 OF THE METROPOLITAN DADE COUNTY CODE PROVIDES THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS FOR POLITICAL CAMPAIGN SIGNS: **(Section 33-99 Special Events Signs)**

- (a) Regulations. Signs advertising special events, such as carnivals, concerts, public meetings, sports events, political campaigns, or other uses of a similar nature shall be classified Class A temporary signs and shall not exceed twenty-two by twenty-eight inches in size except as to site of use, which shall be as hereinafter provided. Such signs shall not be closer than five feet to an official right of way and five feet to property under different ownership. Except as to site of use, which shall be as hereinafter provided, the number of signs will be unlimited. Such signs shall be removed not later than thirty days after the special event or last election in which a candidate or issue was on the ballot.
- (b) Responsibility for compliance. Promoters, sponsors, and candidates shall be responsible for compliance with the provisions of this ordinance and shall remove signs promoting or endorsing their respective special events or candidacies when such signs are displayed or used in violation of this ordinance. Additionally, any private property owner who fails to remove an unlawful special events sign from his or her property shall be deemed in violation of this ordinance.
- (c) Above provisions of this section which require the removal of signs shall be applicable to both the unincorporated and incorporated areas of Metropolitan Dade County, Florida.

#### **IN ADDITION:**

**All candidates shall meet the requirement of the Village of Virginia Gardens Code, Article V, Section 16-241 (1), (2), (3), (4).**