

Nelson City Council

Election Sign Guidelines 2010

1. General Requirements

Signs for electioneering purposes are permitted in any area of the City subject to compliance with the following:

- a. Maximum number: a total of 10 signs throughout the district (all zones) per candidate, and
- b. Maximum area: 0.75 m² per sign, and
- c. Maximum height: 2.0m, and
- d. Letter size:
 - i. On legal roads shown in the Road Hierarchy¹ as a local road, sub-collector or collector road the minimum vertical height of lettering must be 150mm, with a 100mm vertical gap between lines, or
 - ii. On legal roads shown in the Road Hierarchy as a Principal, Arterial or SH6, the vertical height of lettering must be 200mm, with a 100mm vertical gap between lines (where a legal road does not appear on the Road Hierarchy it shall be deemed to be a local road), and
- e. Duration – such signs may be erected no more than two (2) months before the election (9 August 2010) and removed prior to the day of the election (8 October 2010), and
- f. Where electioneering signs are to be positioned along the State Highway, written consent must first be obtained from New Zealand Transport Agency or, within the 50km/hr zone, Nelson City Council (This consent must be lodged with the Divisional Manager Planning and Consents prior to signs being erected), and
- g. Except as provided for in f) above, no sign may be placed on or over the legal road reserve or public place (some exceptions apply see Appendix 20r.2.1.i of the Nelson Resource Management Plan² (NRMP)), and
- h. No sign may be erected or dismantled between the hours of 7pm and 7am, and
- i. Signs must be located more than 10m from any road intersection (except where attached to a building and see Appendix 20r.2.1.i of the NRMP for other location exceptions), and

¹ For further information about the Road Hierarchy contact the Council Duty Planner on 03 546 0200 or dutyplanner@ncc.govt.nz.

² Appendix 20 (within Volume 3, Appendices) of The Nelson Resource Management Plan can be viewed online at www.nelsoncitycouncil.co.nz (search phrase = nelson resource management plan) or at Council offices and libraries.

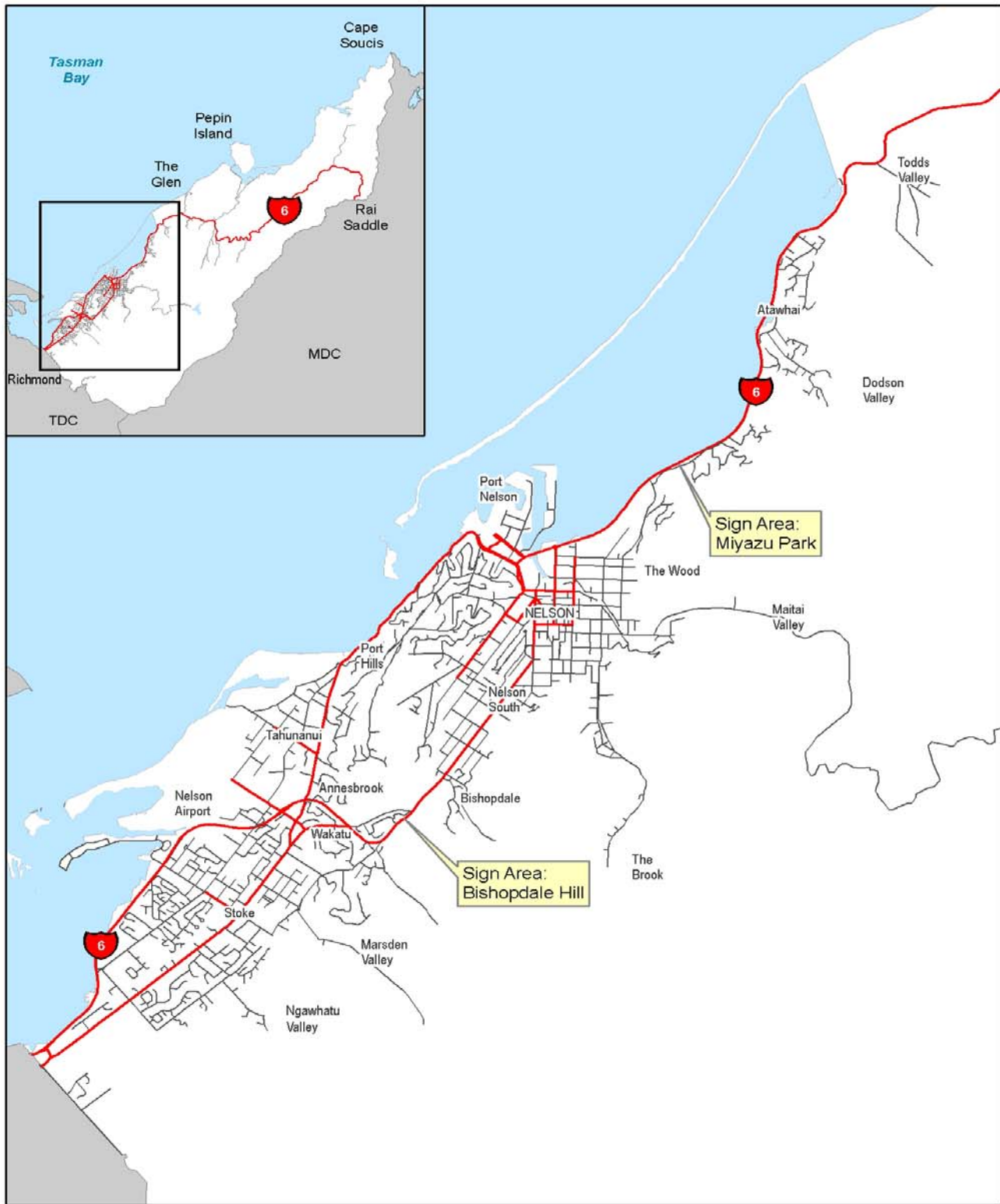
- j. Where they are within 10m of any property access, be set back 1.5m from the front boundary of the site, or be less than 1m in height (see Appendix 20r.2.1.i of the NRMP for exceptions), and
- k. Not be a skysign (above parapet or eave line of a building, on any part of a building roof or roof of a verandah), and
- l. Not be 3 dimensional or incorporate reflective materials, flashing illumination, aerial or moving display, and
- m. Not mimic or conflict with the design, shape and colour combinations of traffic control signs or signals, and
- n. Comply with standards in Appendix 20r.2.1.ii of the NRMP if the sign is within 20m of the nearest edge of a carriageway of a legal road and the sign message will be visible from that road, and
- o. Have any external lighting permanently fixed and directed solely at the sign, so it does not cause a distraction to pedestrians at traffic control points (such as pedestrian crossings), or drivers, or glare on other sites.

2. Special Areas – Miyazu Park (SH6) and Bishopdale Hill (Waimea Road)

The Council sets aside an area within Miyazu Park and the reserve on the southern side of Bishopdale Hill on which candidates may erect larger signs (refer map overleaf).

Signs erected on either of these sites must comply with the following requirements:

- a. One sign per candidate shall be permitted at each location
- b. Each sign shall not exceed a maximum size of 1.5m²
- c. The maximum overall height of any sign shall not exceed 3m
- d. No sign shall be erected earlier than one (1) calendar month before the election day (9 September 2010) and all signs shall be removed prior to the day of the election (8 October 2010)
- e. No sign shall be erected or dismantled outside the hours 7am to 7pm on any day
- f. No sign shall obstruct the visibility of any other sign when viewed by passing motorists
- g. Signs shall be positioned within the lines marked on the ground by Council Officers prior to the erection of the signs
- h. The signs must otherwise comply with the General Requirements set out in 1 above.



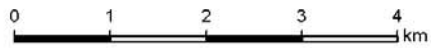
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Legend

- SH6, Arterial or Principal Roads
- Collector, Sub-Collector or Local Roads



Scale 1:70,000



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The map is approximate only and must not be used to determine the location or size of terms shown, or to identify legal boundaries. To the extent permitted by law, the Nelson City Council, its employees, agents and contractors will not be liable for any costs, damages or losses as a result of the data or plan.