

Guidelines on the Erection and Removal of Election and Public Meeting Posters

Public Meeting Posters:

All Posters must include:

- the words 'Public Meeting'
- the details of which person, group or political party is hosting the meeting
- the location of the meeting, including whether it is a physical location or online, and if online how to access the meeting
- the date and time of the meeting

Posters can only be erected for 30 days prior to the date of the meeting and 7 days after the date of the meeting

Election Posters:

- Posters must clearly identify the candidate and/or political party that they were erected by.

Posters can be erected up to 30 days before the polling date or from the date the Minister makes the Order for the holding of the poll, whichever is the shorter period. Posters and ties must be removed within 7 days after polling day. Any breaches of the above may result in fines being issued in accordance with the Litter Pollution Act, 1997, as amended.

Further guidelines:

Posters must not be erected as follows:

- a. on lamp standards with overhead line electricity feed,
- b. on traffic signal poles,
- c. on bridge parapets, overpasses and on pedestrian bridges
- d. on roundabouts
- e. on roadside traffic barriers
- f. on traffic poles or statutory signage of any type including stop, yield, cycle track, parking control, etc.
- g. on Motorways
- h. in a way that obstructs the view of traffic lights or road signs,
- i. in a way that blocks or obstructs motorists' view of pedestrians, i.e. on pedestrian barriers or railings, or blocks or obstructs motorists' view of other traffic.
- j. on the grass verges/median on the N11
- k. Posters must not be within 100 meters of any polling station
- l. No free-standing billboard-type posters are permitted

There should be a minimum clearance of 2.5 metres from the lower edge of any poster to ground level on footpaths, and 3.2 metres on cycle lanes, and no posters should be placed higher than 6.5 metres from the ground.

Any posters that do not comply with these conditions, or in the case of election posters, that are erected on Council property prior to the declaration of an election, will be removed by the Council. In the event of a breach of the Litter Pollution Act 1997, as amended, enforcement actions may be taken.