



Municipality of Anchorage



Policy E.06

Electrical Sign Installation

All electrical signs are required to have an electrical permit before being connected and an electrical inspection before being energized. This is in addition to a sign permit, which is also required except for certain exemptions.

Permits for electrical connections are determined by the availability of power to the sign:

- A. signs connected to electrical junction boxes located within six feet of the sign connection point.

The sign can be connected by a licensed sign contractor without requiring the services of a licensed electrical contractor. There is an electrical sign hook-up fee per permit of \$46.00 with no inspection or plan review fees charged, as per the Administrative Code. The sign contractor is required to request an inspection via the 24-hour inspection request telephone system at 343-8300.

- B. Power brought to a sign from more than six feet.

Electrical outlet(s) added or relocated to a sign must be installed by a licensed electrical contractor. Electrical permit must be obtained by the electrical contractor with fees paid as per the Administrative Code. Inspection of the completed electrical installation, including the sign, is required.

The inspector will check for compliance with the National Electrical Code and for compliance with the requirements of the sign permit as issued.

A sign permit and an electrical permit are required before work begins and the permits are to be posted at the job site. The Administrative Code Section 23.10.304.5.2 provides for a minimum investigation fee in addition to the appropriate permitting fees when required permits have not been obtained.

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