



Memorandum

TO: 2026 General Election Applicants and Candidates

FROM: Vicki Cornelius, Election Board Chair

DATE: April 11, 2026

RE: Campaign Signs

Please ensure your signs, if any, are in compliance with the Nation's laws regarding campaign signs.

Election law

102.5-9. Campaign Signs and Campaigning:

(a) Placement of campaign signs:

- (1) Campaign signs shall not be posted or erected on any property of the Nation except for private property with the owner/tenant's permission.
- (2) No campaign sign shall exceed sixteen (16) square feet in area. A maximum of seven (7) such signs may be placed on a building or on a lot.
- (3) No campaign sign shall project beyond the property line into the public right of way.

(b) Removal of campaign signs. All campaign signs shall be removed within five (5) business days after an election.

(c) Employees of the Nation shall not engage in campaigning for offices of the Nation during work hours. The Nation's employees shall be subject to disciplinary action under the personnel policies and procedures for political campaigning during work hours.

(d) Enforcement. The Zoning Administrator shall cause to be removed any campaign signs that are not in compliance with this law, in accordance with the Zoning and Shoreland Protection Law.

(e) Fines. Violation of the campaign sign restrictions shall result in a fine imposed by the Election Board in an amount specified in a resolution adopted by the Business Committee.

BC Resolution 01-22-14-A Adoption of Tribal Election Fines for Campaign Restrictions is attached.

Zoning and Shoreland Protection law

605.11-7. Permitted Signs – No Permit Required. The following signs shall not require a permit. However, no more than one (1) sign shall be allowed on any residentially zoned site and all signs shall comply with the following restrictions.

(a) Temporary political signs may be erected upon private property under the following conditions: The person responsible for the erection or distribution of any such signs or the owners of the property upon which the signs are located shall cause removal thereof within five (5) business days after the election. No such sign shall exceed sixteen (16) square feet in area. A maximum of seven (7) such signs may be placed on a building or on a lot.

If you have any questions, regarding the campaign signs, please email [Election Board@oneidanation.org](mailto:Election_Board@oneidanation.org)

Thank you for your cooperation.

ELECTION SIGN DO's & DON'Ts

Do's

Contact Digger's Hotline (dial 811) before placing a sign in the ground:

<https://www.diggershotline.com/>

Check the online public parcel information prior to placing your sign.

Outagamie County:

<https://www.outagamie.gov/gis>

Brown County:

<https://www.browncountywi.gov/departments/planning-and-land-services/land-information-office/>

Place sign within a privately-owned parcel, with property owner approval.

Example – ok within the GREEN polyline below:



Check to see where the road right-of-way ends and the private parcel begins.

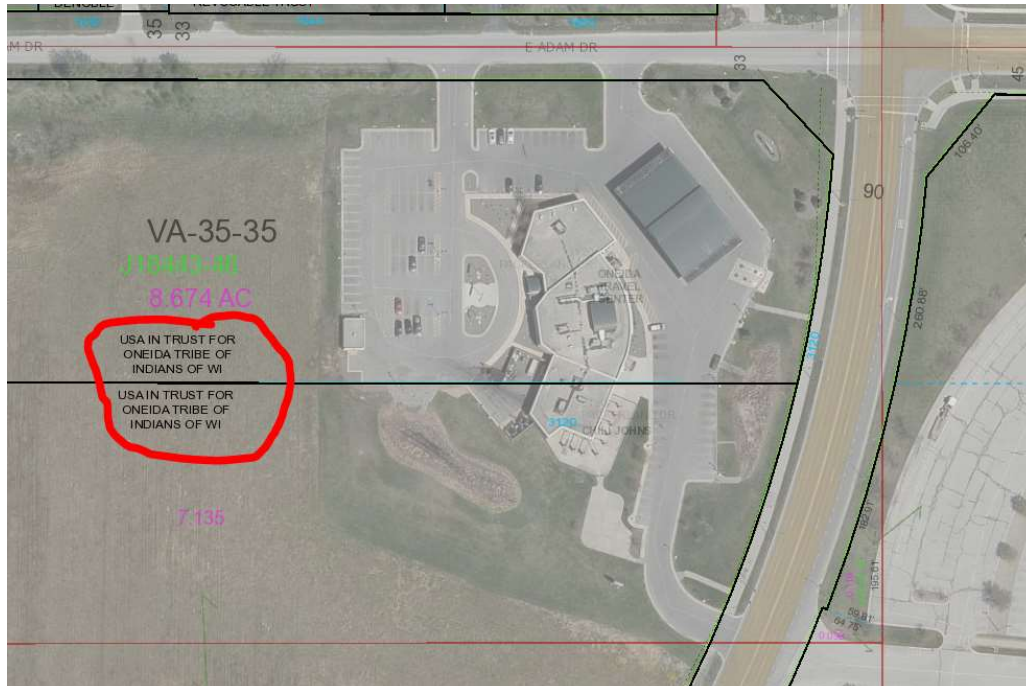
From the aerial photograph look for landmarks (trees, shrubs, etc.) to determine where your sign should be placed within the parcel.

Don'ts

- DO NOT place a sign in the RED Road Right-of-Way



- DO NOT place a sign on a parcel owned by the Oneida Nation nor the Oneida Tribe. *Example - check county parcel data for owner.*



Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin



Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid them.



UGWA DEMOLUM YATEHE
Because of the help of this Oneida Chief in cementing a friendship between the six nations and the colony of Pennsylvania, a new nation, the United States was made possible.

BC RESOLUTION 01-22-14-A Adoption of Tribal Election Fines for Campaign Restrictions

- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty Tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America, and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida General Tribal Council is the duly recognized governing body of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section I of the Oneida Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council, and
- WHEREAS,** Section 2.5-9 (e) of the Oneida Election Law requires the Oneida Business Committee to set fines in a resolution to then be imposed by the Election Board.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oneida Business Committee hereby adopts the following as campaign fines for violation of Section 2.5-9(a) of the Election Law:

- (1) First Offense: Shall result in a written warning from the Election Board to remove the sign within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of the notice. Said notice shall be sent by certified mail.
- (2) Second Offense: Shall result in a fine of ten dollars (\$10) per day for up to five (5) days.
- (3) Third Offense: Shall result in a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25) per day until removal of the campaign material(s).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oneida Business Committee hereby adopts the following as campaign fines for violation of Section 2.5-9(b) of the Election Law:

- (1) First Offense: Shall result in a written warning from the Election Board to remove the sign within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of the notice. Said notice shall be sent by certified mail.
- (2) Second Offense: Shall result in a fine of ten dollars (\$10) per day for up to five (5) days.
- (3) Third Offense: Shall result in a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25) per day until removal of the campaign material(s).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oneida Business Committee hereby adopts the following as campaign fines for violation of Section 2.9-6 of the Election Law:

- (1) By a Candidate:
 - (a) First Offense: Shall result in an order from the Election Board to Cease and desist. Said order shall be sent by certified mail.
 - (b) Second Offense: Shall result in a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100) and removal from the premises.
- (2) By a member of the Public:
 - (a) Shall result in removal from the premises and an ineligibility to vote until in compliance with the Election Law.

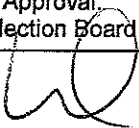
CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum; 5 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 22nd day of January, 2014; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 4 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patricia Hoeft".

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee

*According to the By-Laws, Article I, Section 1, the Chair votes "only in the case of a tie."

Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin: Standard Operating Procedures	Title: Campaign Fines (Revised)	SOP NO OEB-013
Division: Non-Divisional	Required Approval: Oneida Election Board	Date: 06/14/11
Chairperson: Leyne Orosco	Sign Off: 	Date: 6/14/11
Author: Oneida Election Board	Received By: Business Committee	Date: 6/30/11

1. PURPOSE

To ensure a fair process in assessing campaign fines is conducted.

2. DEFINITIONS

2.1 Campaigning – all efforts designed to influence Tribal members to support or reject a particular Tribal candidate including, without limitation, advertising, rallying, public speaking, or other communications with Tribal members.

2.2. Zoning Department – The Department of the Tribe named in the Oneida Election Law which is delegated the responsibility to enforce the signage portion of the Campaign Requirements section and which is responsible for administering and enforcing all related Tribal health, safety, zoning, building, environmental policies, codes, ordinances and laws for the protection of our people, their lands, and sovereignty.

3. PROCEDURES

3.1 Notice of the Campaign Signs and Campaigning portion of the Oneida Election Law shall be provided to all election applicants.

3.2 Election Board will work in conjunction with Zoning regarding signs placed in any right of way, communicating any violations; whereas the Zoning Department will then monitor the signage and/or violation to ensure compliance.

3.3 Candidates violating Section 2.5-9 (a) 1-3. of Election Law (Candidates shall not place campaign material on or near Tribal places of business or Tribal buildings which shall include all public grounds attached to the building and parking areas...) shall be assessed the following fines.

3.3.1 1st Offense – Written warning (certified) from Election Board to remove within 24 hours.

2nd Offense -- \$10/day up to five (5) days

3rd Offense -- \$25/day until removed

3.4 Candidates violating Section 2.5-9(b) of Election Law (Campaign materials must be removed within ten (10) days after an election if placed in public areas) shall be assessed the following fines:

- 3.4.1. 1st Offense – Written warning (certified) from Election Board to remove within 24 hours.
- 2nd Offense -- \$10/day up to five (5) days
- 3rd Offense -- \$25/day until removed

3.5 Candidates violating Section 2.9-6 of Election Law (No campaigning of any type shall be conducted within two hundred eighty (280) feet of the voting area, excluding private property.) shall be assessed the following fines:

- 3.5.1 1st Offense – Candidate ordered to cease and desist
- 2nd Offense -- \$100 fine and removed from premises

3.5.2 General public violation Section 2.9-6 of Election Law will be asked to leave the premises and shall not be allowed to vote until in compliance with Oneida Election Law.

3.6 Election Board shall issue fines to violators by certified notice. Fines shall be paid to the Oneida Election Board by way of money order. Payments received from fines shall be placed into the Election Board budget during the fiscal year payment is received (per Election Law Section 2.5-9).

3.6.1 Election Board Secretary to be responsible for intake of payments for fines, providing receipt, and processing payments to Accounts Payable through the Accounting Department.

3.6.1.1 In absence of Election Board Secretary, the Election Board Chair or designee shall assume responsibility of 3.6.1.

3.7 Candidates have the opportunity to request a hearing of the Oneida Election Board.

3.7.1 Requests for hearing must be made in writing and submitted to an officer of the Election Board via hand delivery within five (5) business days of certified notice being sent.

3.7.2 Once a request for hearing has been received, Board shall follow the process in the Hearings SOP.

3.8 Violators failing to pay fines shall be subject to garnishment per Appeals Commission process.

3.8.1. Violators shall be responsible for any/all filing fees associated with garnishments.

4. REFERENCES

- 4.1 Oneida Election Law
- 4.2 Oneida Zoning Ordinance
- 4.3 Application Packet
- 4.4 Hearings SOP