

## 2023 Kansas Statutes

**68-2233. Erection or maintenance of signs in adjacent area prohibited, exceptions.** After March 31, 1972, and subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 68-2237, and amendments thereto, no sign shall be erected or maintained in an adjacent area, except the following: (a) Directional and official signs, including, but not limited to, signs pertaining to natural wonders, scenic or historical attractions, churches or rural businesses, which are required or authorized by law and which shall conform to rules and regulations promulgated by the secretary consistent with national policy, except that no such sign or notice shall be erected until an approved sign application and permit is obtained as provided for in K.S.A. 68-2236, and amendments thereto. Directional and official signs shall be required to obtain a license but such signs are exempt from payment of the fees required under subsection (c) of K.S.A. 68-2236, and amendments thereto;

(b) signs advertising the sale or lease of property upon which they are located;

(c) on-premise signs advertising activities conducted on the property on which they are located, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, goods grown, produced, sold, stored, manufactured, processed or mined thereon; services rendered thereon; and entertainment provided thereon;

(d) nonconforming signs or advertising devices lawfully in existence on March 31, 1972, or deemed to be nonconforming, provided that no such sign shall be maintained without a license as provided for in K.S.A. 68-2236, and amendments thereto;

(e) conforming signs or advertising devices erected in business areas and which comply with the provisions of K.S.A. 68-2234, and amendments thereto. No such sign or advertising device shall be erected until a permit is obtained as provided in K.S.A. 68-2236, and amendments thereto;

(f) conforming signs or advertising devices legally erected after March 31, 1972, which no longer comply with spacing, size or zoning requirements of K.S.A. 68-2234, and amendments thereto, because of a change in the law, provided that no such sign shall be maintained without a license as required by K.S.A. 68-2236, and amendments thereto. Such signs shall be considered legal conforming signs with grandfather status;

(g) in addition to the limitations contained in this section, in order to further the purposes to promote the reasonable, orderly and effective display of outdoor advertising devices along highways adjacent to scenic and historical areas, while protecting the public investment in these highways and promoting safety and recreational value of public travel and to preserve natural beauty, no advertising sign, except as permitted under subsections (a), (b) or (c) shall be erected adjacent to any highway which is either:

(1) A scenic highway or scenic byway designated by the secretary;

(2) within 1,000 feet of the boundary line of a Kansas state park, a national park, a state or national wildlife refuge;

(3) within 500 feet of any of the following: Public park, garden, recreation area, forest preserve, church, school, any public museum or historical monument, any safety rest or recreation area which is publicly owned, controlled and maintained pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 319 or any sanitary or other facility for the accommodation of the motorist which is publicly owned, controlled and maintained pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 319; or

(4) within 500 feet of any strip of land, an interest in which has been acquired by the state of Kansas for the restoration, preservation or enhancement of scenic beauty and which is publicly controlled and maintained pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 319.

**History:** L. 1972, ch. 251, § 3; L. 1975, ch. 427, § 220; L. 2006, ch. 141, § 2; July 1.