

CITY & COUNTY OF DENVER COMMUNITY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT BUILDING PERMIT POLICY		
Subject: ELECTRIC/NEON SIGNS AND LIGHTING – PERMITTING PROCEDURE		
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Reference: 2020 National Electrical Code (NEC) Article 600, 2022 Denver Commercial Building Code (DCBC) Appendix H106

All electric/neon signs and skeletal lighting, both interior and exterior, requires permits and inspections.

Exception: U.L. listed portable signs that plug into a compliant 110V receptacle.

A licensed electrical contractor is required to do the primary and secondary wiring connecting the sign or lighting to the building power and an Electrical Permit must be obtained for this work.

Building permits for all "window" signs and all exterior signs or lighting must be approved by the Zoning Division. Interior signs or lighting do not require zoning approval. Zoning defines "window" signs as "A sign which is applied or attached to, or located within 3 feet of the interior of a window, and the sign can be seen through the window from the exterior of the building."

All interior and exterior signs that are hard-wired require an electrical permit. If a single circuit for the sign is rated more than 20 amperes or a voltage greater than 277V 1 phase (non-multi-phase/pole circuit), engineered drawings will be required for review. If the sign requires more than (10) circuits (single or multi-phase), engineered drawings will be required for review.

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