Sign Standards & Types Permitted in the Historic Districts

Zoning Overlay: Historic District

Sign Type	Standards
Flags	Comply with underlying zoning regulations.
Aggregate Display Area Per Lot	The aggregate display area for all signs on a lot in any historic district shall not exceed 90 square feet or 50 feet per acre, whichever is greater.
Freestanding	Ground Sign: 1 per lot Maximum display area: 30 square feet Maximum Height: 5 feet Location: Front yard, 10 feet from public right of way Construction: Painted wood or metal *Only applies to lots not located in downtown as delineated in the <i>Downtown Harlem Design</i> Guidelines. Freestanding signs not permitted downtown.
Standard Informational	Number permitted: 1 per lot (unlimited during an election) Maximum display area: 6 square feet Maximum height: 3 feet
Temporary	Comply with underlying zoning regulations
Wall	Maximum display area: Not to exceed 5% of the area of the wall to which it is attached. Location: May not obscure or cover the architectural or historical features of the building. On industrial buildings may be located on the parapet, the front wall near the doorway, or on blank walls. On commercial buildings may be located in the sign board area, on awnings, or on canopies. Construction: Painted wood or metal. Painted wall signs permitted on industrial buildings.
Window	Display area: 25% or less of the window area. *Must be professionally prepared
Projecting or Hanging Signs	Location: Permitted only on commercial buildings in the downtown area. Maximum display area: 12 square feet Construction: Painted wood or metal
Lighting	Signs may only be indirectly illuminated with small, directional lighting that produces a limited pool of light. Lighting of freestanding signs shall be achieved only by use of ground spots located immediately adjacent to the sign. All forms of external lighting used

	to illuminate signs shall be adequately screened and shielded to prevent light from escaping onto adjacent properties. No sign shall be illuminated between 11PM and 6AM unless the premises on which the sign is located is open for business. Direct illumination of signs is prohibited.
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^{*}Property located in the 278 Corridor is permitted to follow the sign guidelines that apply to their underlying zoning classification.