

Irving

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Deadlines for
New Ordinances

Commercial Containers

- > Ordinance adopted Nov. 11, 2008**
 - **Containers relocated by March 1, 2009**
 - **Containers prohibited between building and street**
 - **Screening requirements met by Jan. 1, 2009**
 - **All containers must be screened if in view from street, public property, or single-family home (except for those in school district or recycling containers)**
 - **Screening requirements for school district containers by Jan. 1, 2011**

Convenience Stores

- > **Design Standards Ordinance adopted Oct. 16, 2008**
 - **Design standards as of Oct. 16, 2008, required for:**
 - **New construction**
 - **Existing convenience stores expanding by 30% or improvements of 25% of value**
 - **Removal of pole signs required prior to issuance of new Certificate of Occupancy as of Oct. 16, 2008, for:**
 - **Expanding by 30% or remodeling of 25% of total value**
 - **Existing building converting to a convenience store**

- > **Crime Prevention Ordinance adopted Nov. 6, 2008**
 - **Police can enforce trespass laws without clerk involvement as of Nov. 6, 2008**
 - **Requirements for security signs and visibility as of Dec. 6, 2008**
 - **Mandatory training for employees by June 6, 2009**
 - **Registration with city and display of registration certificate by June 6, 2009**
 - **Video surveillance camera, drop safe, alarm system and ATM security by Jan. 1, 2010**

Signs

- > **Ordinance adopted Jan. 8, 2009**
 - **Set new design standards**
 - **Reduction of wall/window signs**
 - **Prohibits new pole signs**
 - **All non-compliant signs, banners, flags, etc., must be in compliance by Aug. 1, 2009**
 - **Neon signs cannot be visible from the right-of-way except for “open” signs by Jan. 8, 2009**
 - **All pole signs at convenience stores < 10,000 square feet must be removed by Dec. 31, 2009**

- > **Beer/Wine Stores (TABC)**
 - **All stores are limited to one “beer/wine” sign with 12-inch letters or smaller per street front**
 - **No beer/wine signage within 5 feet of window**

Alcohol Sales

- > Restriction Ordinance adopted Oct. 16, 2008**
 - Sale of alcoholic beverages prohibited within 300 feet of a church, public or private school, or hospital as of Oct. 16, 2008**
 - Schools measured in a direct line across intersections from property-line-to-property-line, others door-to-door as of Oct. 16, 2008**

Irving Building Standard Code

- > Chapter 8 Ordinance adopted Oct. 2, 2008**
 - **Fire Safety**
 - Multifamily properties assessed a Level 4 must install heat detection system within 12 months of inspection resulting in risk rating by July 1, 2009
 - **Public Health and Safety**
 - Sewage flow onto right-of-way constitutes a “dangerous” building as of Oct. 2, 2008
 - Air conditioning is a required utility as of Oct. 2, 2008
 - **Crime Free Multi-Housing – Multifamily properties with Level 3 or 4 rating must meet the following by Oct. 2, 2008:**
 - Attend one-day Crime Free Training class
 - Use Crime Free Addendum and Agreement
 - Conduct criminal background checks on applicants age 17 or older
 - **Amendment requirements as of Nov. 6, 2008:**
 - Applicant denied due to criminal background check results may appeal to Irving municipal judge
 - Appeal will be heard within seven days of the request

Accessory Structures

- > Ordinance adopted July 10, 2008**
 - Requirements as of July 10, 2008:**
 - Maximum 250 square feet or 25% of house footprint**
 - No more than two per lot**
 - Maximum height – 20 feet**
 - Metal exterior prohibited from building**
 - > 150 square feet**
 - Site plan approval required for living or business use**

Carpools

- > **Ordinance adopted Oct. 16, 2008**
 - **Requirements as of Oct. 16, 2008:**
 - **New setback and separation requirements**
 - **Vehicle parking only**
 - **Site plan required when visible from street**
 - **Must remove prior to filing for zoning change if installed without approval**
 - **All new homes – two-car garage**