The Delaware Sign Law

- Signs may not be placed within the State’s Right of Way.
- Although not always exact, a good rule of thumb is that the Right of Way is typically one foot behind any utility poles.
- Utility poles are the large wooden poles that carry electric, phone, and cable wires that typically run parallel to the roadway.

Signs are also never allowed:

- On utility poles, light poles, traffic signal poles, or road signs
- On bridges or any overpass
- In medians, islands, or gore areas

Signs placed illegally are not only unattractive, but can be dangerous to motorists and pedestrians.

Each sign that is in violation results in a fine of $25, and a $15 recovery fee.

For more information on sign placement, see 17 Del. Code, Sections 524-527 and 1111(C).