

	POLICY	Owner Department: City Manager
	The display of religious symbols on municipal property	
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Approving Authority: Moncton City Council	Replaces No.: N/A	

1. Purpose Statement

Religious organizations that are traditionally and widely recognized by the community may, upon request, temporarily display their religious symbols at a designated location on municipal property, in recognition of the diversity of religious faiths in Moncton and to promote inclusiveness.

2. Application

Religious organizations/charities that are traditionally and widely recognized by the community. Groups that can make a request are either:

- a) a religious charity recognized by the Canada Revenue Agency or
- b) if no such charity is recognized by the Canada Revenue Agency representing its interests, that
 - i. its members have sincerely held beliefs that have a nexus with religion, and
 - ii. there is an active religious community sharing those beliefs in Moncton.

The City of Moncton has displayed Christian and Jewish religious symbols on municipal property for many years. The intent of this policy is not to modify existing displays, but to provide a process and guidelines to permit the addition of new displays. All applicants to bear the costs of their religious displays, on a go-forward basis which would include Christianity and Judaism should those current displays require replacing or repair.

3. Policy

1. Religious organizations that are traditionally and widely recognized by the community may, upon request, temporarily display their religious symbols at a designated location on municipal property, in recognition of the diversity of religious faiths in Moncton and to promote inclusiveness.
2. The display of religious symbols at City Hall must meet the following criteria:
 - a) religious display requests are to be made through the online application form on the City of Moncton website. Appendix A
 - b) religious organizations may not display more than one religious symbol per year including those with current displays.
 - c) Displays must be respectful of other faiths.
 - d) Displays are to be installed for the normal duration of a major observance of faith, for a period not exceeding 45 days
 - e) Displays are to only be installed at locations designated by City administration.
 - f) City administration must approve the design of the display, ensuring it meets guidelines for size and for safety as outlined in Appendix B.
 - g) More than one religious organization may display their symbol simultaneously, space allowing. If the number of requests for display for a certain period of time exceeds the available space, applicants will be offered space on alternate dates or will be offered an alternate space.
 - h) Applicants are responsible for all associated costs and labour for the display, including purchase of the display, set up and take down, storage, and insurance for theft, damage, and injury.
 - i) All other display and event criteria in the City of Moncton's [Events Policy](#) must be met.
 - j) City administration will administer this policy.
 - k) Rejected applications will be provided reasons for the rejection. Rejected applicants may have their files reviewed or appeal their refusal to Chief Administrative Officer.

4. Administration and Contact

City Clerk's Office

655 Main St., Moncton, NB E1C 1E8

Telephone: 506.853.3550

Email: info.clerk@moncton.ca

APPENDIX A

To make a religious display request, use the [online application form](#) on the City of Moncton website.

APPENDIX B – Guidelines for size/safety

Gérald-Leblanc Park



APPENDIX B (cont'd) – Guidelines for size/safety

Bore Park

