

Type of Operation	Requirements
<p>Transient Accommodation (Hotels, Bed & Breakfast) Establishments where the reason for the trip is something other than staying at the property itself.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Have a minimum of 10 units, except where licensed as a Bed and Breakfast Operations • Have the relevant license as an accommodation • Have adequate guest parking on site. • Be open to the general public for a minimum of 16 weeks per year • Be open 7 days per week during its season
<p>Destination Accommodation (Resorts) Based on the recreational and leisure facilities and services offered on-site.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qualify for signing as a transient accommodation property • Offer on-site food services or preparation facilities • Be located in a rural or non-urban environment, usually be a lake or river • Offer a minimum of three recreational activities or programs on-site daily. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 programs must be outdoor activities (ie: skiing, golf, swimming, or trails accessed directly from the property) • 1 program may be a major indoor activity (ie: racquet sports, children's program) • Equipment required must be available on site
<p>Campgrounds Each location will be treated as a separate operation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Make available for booking by the transient public either 10% of its camping sites, or a minimum of 10 spaces, whichever is larger; • Include both tent and trailer sites among the sites available to the transient public • Have an entrance controlling admission to the site • Supply sanitary facilities, drinking water and picnic tables or equivalent.
<p>Fishing/Hunting Lodges</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Qualify for signing as a destination or transient accommodation, camping, or outfitter. • Provide a variety of supplies, equipment and services necessary to support wilderness/outdoors excursions to public.
<p>Themed Tourist Attractions and Theme Parks All themed attractions that do not fit into any other special sign category.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Primary function is to provide recreational, educational, cultural, scientific, environmental related activities. • The sale of merchandise or devices is absent or is restricted to the sale of souvenirs and/or food and beverage • Provides adequate off-road parking at the site • Does not fall into one of the specialised signable attraction categories
<p>Water Themed Parks</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet criteria for theme parks and attractions • Has at least 1 water slide greater than 30 metres in length • Offers a minimum of 5 water related activities.
<p>Sports Parks and Leisure Centres</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Offers at least 3 different sports and recreation activities from the following list <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regulation golf course

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Par 3 golf course • Minigolf/miniputt • Driving range • Full size swimming pool • Ice/roller skating rink • Baseball/football field • Batting cages • Groomed running path • Groomed cross country ski trails at least 1 km in length • Must have an adequate supply of rental equipment for each activity. • Outdoor activities must be available to the general public at least 12 consecutive weeks per year • Indoor Activities must be available at all times the operation is open • Must have public washrooms
<p>Interpretation Centres</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides an educational or interpretative program accessible to transient tourists to increase their awareness in the industrial, scientific, environmental, agricultural or cultural fields 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Offers guided tours at least 5 days a week in the operation's season, on advertised days and set times, and/or provides permanent interpretative panels or audio visual documentation accessible on all days the operation is open to the public. <p>Where interpretation is not the main function of the operation sponsoring the program (ie: public programming in a factory or a nature/wildlife/forest reserve) the interpretation program must have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A dedicated space for interpretative displays and public programming • Staff must be hired specifically to welcome visitors and to run the interpretation program.
<p>Interpretative Craft Centres</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Is a craft operation that produces hand-made art or craft objects on-site • Offers guided tours and/or demonstrations of the production of these objects, involving the artists/craftspeople • These public programs are available at least 5 days a week throughout the operating season at advertised times, on all days the operation is open to the public • The interpretation activities and demonstrations are available to transient visitors, not exclusively to pre-booked clients or groups • Where interpretation is not the main function of the operation (ie: an industrial site or commercial business), its public program must have adequate space to run its program.
<p>Farm-Based Tourist Attractions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Has a valid Farm Business Registration Number obtained under the Stable Funding Act and its regulations • Has adequate off-road parking for customers • Provides a minimum of 5 value-added activities for tourists from the following list, on an advertised basis. At least 3 must be available for at least 12 operating weeks per year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guided interpretative tours • Permanent interpretative panels, displays and/or audio visual documentation

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wagon rides, hay rides or sleigh rides • Children's playground • One or more festivals with hands-on activities for children • Straw or corn maze • Petting barn • Pony or animal rides • Fishing pond • Food and beverage service • Minimum of 3 pick-your-own crops
Farmers' Markets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Is devoted to the sale of local and Ontario produce and other foodstuffs • The market must set a minimum level of local products and local producers to be sold on the premises • Open at least 2 days per week in its open season • Has a permanent facility • The facility dedicated to the market has 10,000 square feet of floor space or more.
Wineries/Breweries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Offers guided tours at least 5 days a week in the operation's season • Has a dedicated space for interpretative displays and public programming and staff available to welcome visitors and run the interpretative program.
Live Performance Theatres	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Is a permanent performance facility • Live theatrical or dance performances are offered to the general public at that facility at least 5 days per week during the operation's season.
Public Art Galleries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Is a permanent facility • The facilities primary purpose is the public exhibition, rather than retail sale of works of art • The facility houses a permanent art collection, part of which is on display at all times • The operation must be open to the public
Museums	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meets criteria for signing as a theme's attraction • Offers ongoing public programs, including exhibits, at its main facility • Is a not-for-profit operation • Must not be of a primarily retail nature • And not be an art gallery, heritage centre, library or archive • Either receives or is eligible for operating grants under a program supporting museums and operated by the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation or its successors. The manager responsible for the Ministry's museum support program must confirm in writing that the operation is qualified.
Tourist Information Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meets basic criteria • Is owned/operated by a government agency
Heritage (Conservation) Districts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Must be legally designated as such under provincial law whose designation has been authorised by the Ontario Municipal Board

Historic or Archaeological Sites and Structures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Qualifies as a themed Tourist Attraction • Is a building, archaeological site, or other site/structure of federal/provincial/regional historical significance owned and managed by a government, ministry or agency.
Cultural Centres	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Offers cultural activities to the public at all times the operation is open to the public, including at least two of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art, artifact or historical displays • Live cultural, dramatic or dance performances • Hands-on art or craft activities • The centre's primary purpose is not retail sales, auditorium/theatre rentals, or live theatre/musical performances.
Public Archives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Is a public archival facility with a permanent collection of original archival materials in any medium available to the public for research • The collection is open to the transient public on an advertised basis, at set days and times • Does not fall within the category of public library, museum, art gallery or interpretative centre.
Natural Sites, Scenic lookouts and Trails (Developed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Is a developed natural site (ie: cave, waterfall, geological formation, nature viewing site, river crossing or developed walking trail) • Is owned and managed by a municipal or provincial government
Provincial/Federal Parks, Conservation Areas, Public Beaches	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria
Golf Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Offers a minimum of 9 holes of regulation golf
Marinas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Maintains at least 10 spaces for rental to the transient public • Offers marine fuel facilities • Offers docking facilities, including a boat launching ramp • Offers fresh/potable water • Provides sanitary disposal facilities, either on-site or immediately adjacent to site.
Boat Rentals and Charters NOTE: The location signed will be the point at which the motorist parks to gain access to the boat launch.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offers day rental services for motorboats, rafts, paddleboats, sailboats, windsurfing craft, kayaks, canoes, or rowboats to the general public. • Has adequate equipment to serve transient customers • Is on or adjacent to a public beach or boat launch facility as required to operate the craft rented.
Boat Cruises	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Offers day or part day cruises • Cruise schedule is offered for booking by transient customers every day the operation is open, at advertised set days and times • Has adequate equipment to serve transient customers • Is at or adjacent to the docking facility at which the cruise boards passengers.
Boat Launch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Available to the public
Ski Operations (cross Country)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offers a minimum of 10km of groomed cross-country ski trails, of at least 2 levels of difficulty • direct access to trails form the operation's main reception point • on-site ski equipment rental • adequate off-road parking
Snowmobile Trail Access Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Is a road access point to a public snowmobile trail • The trail is a regional or Trans Ontario Provincial trail groomed and operated by an Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Club (OFSC) member organisation • Adequate on-site parking is available at the signed access point.
Equestrian Facilities Note: The location signed will be the point at which the motorist parks to arrange for the ride, which must be the same as the rider's point of departure.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Offers day livery services • Service is available at all times the operation is open to the public and is not available exclusively by advance booking • Offers adequate off road parking • Has adequate supply to serve transient customers • Offers direct access to trails from the operation's main reception and operating site.
Flying Operations (Tourist-Oriented)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Is a "sea plane base" offering a float or sea plane charter operation • Provides docking facilities, aviation fuel, and aircraft at the site OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is a tourist-oriented charter operation offering rides in float planes, sea planes, helicopters, lighter-than-air planes, para-sails, or hot-air balloons • Offers guided, chartered or rental tourist flights on a regular, advertised schedule • Serves transient customers
Major Sports Facilities (Sports Fields/Swimming Pools)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Facility is owned/operated by a municipality and is used for the staging of regional or inter-regional sports events
Zoo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet basic criteria • Is a zoological garden/park, aquarium, petting farm, aviary, bird sanctuary, animal conservation centre, game farm, or other public animal exhibit • Has a permanent location • Is open to the public in regularly schedules hours • Is open at least 12 full weeks per year • Complies with all relevant legislation and regulations concerning the keeping of animals in captivity, including the Ontario Game and Fish Act, the Ontario Society of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act and enactment's
Convention Centres/Banquet Halls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No longer permitted by York Region as of November 2000.