

TOWN OF TOLLAND

POLICY ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF MATERIALS AND USE OF TOWN FACILITIES FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES

Printed Materials:

Printed materials and/or electronic communications may be utilized as means of mass communication on topics relevant to Town government. The Town Manager or his designee may approve or delegate approval to Town Department Heads for the distribution of materials providing:

1. The materials relate to the operation of Town government, community, local recreational or civic activities.
2. The materials do not promote or denigrate any religious belief or activity, express political or social viewpoints or promote private gain.
3. The materials do not promote any political party or candidate.

Electronic communication:

In the interest of minimizing the volume of paper being utilized and fostering increased communication, the use of electronic communication including but not limited to web page, eblasts and other social media devices to distribute information referenced above is encouraged.

Referendum Question: Advocacy of a position on an approved referendum question is controlled by State law.

Town Facilities: Political candidates and incumbents as well as political parties serving the Town of Tolland and its residents may utilize Town facilities under the same rules and regulations as the general public.

Interpretation: The Town Manager or his/her designee shall interpret this policy. In case of differences regarding the decision, the decision of the Town Manager will be final.