

Huntington Beach Fire Department

Fire Lane Signage and Markings on Private, Residential, Commercial and Industrial Properties

REQUIREMENTS

Huntington Beach Municipal Code 10.40.115, Fire Lanes, and California Vehicle Code Section 22500.1 prohibit the parking of vehicles in designated fire lanes, access ways and roadways. In an effort to eliminate the possibility of life and property loss through blocked or restricted emergency access routes, Huntington Beach has adopted regulations and developed standards for fire lanes, access ways and roadways.

Attached are three (3) approved marking options to identify fire lane access ways. Markings may utilize one or more of the options, as needed.

NOTE: In this City Specification, all cases where the color “red” is required on either a sign or a curb, the paint color shall be “OSHA Red.”

OPTION 1

- Marking fire lanes by utilizing sign posting only

OPTION 2

- Marking fire lanes by painting curbs red and posting of an entrance sign

OPTION 3

- Marking fire lanes by painting **rolled curbs** red and posting of an entrance sign
- Marking fire lanes that **do not have curbs** with red stripes and posting of an entrance sign.

Regardless of the fire lane marking option selected, **ALL** property entrances must post fire lane enforcement signs.

After completion of fire lane installation, please contact the Huntington Beach Fire Department at (714) 536-5411 for an inspection. Upon passing inspection, the property will be added to the parking enforcement list for patrol. Violations will then be issued under the above stated code sections.

NOTE: Please see the sign examples (1, 2 and 3) on page 5 of this City Specification and locate a vendor to construct the signs per the criteria listed.

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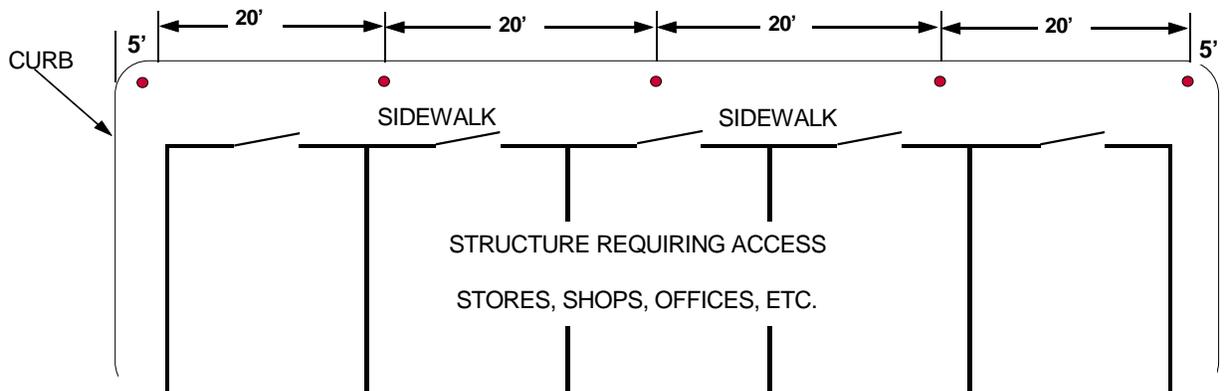
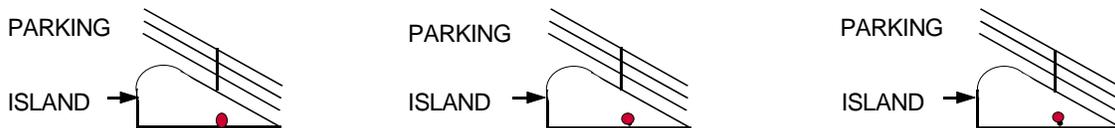
OPTION 1

MARKING FIRE LANES WITH SIGN POSTING ONLY

FIRE LANE SIGN LOCATION

- Interior signs (*refer to fire lane sign example #1*)
 - Required within 5 feet of each corner
 - Spaced a maximum of 20 feet apart in all areas
 - Where parking is not allowed on either side of the lane or road, the 20 feet spacing of signs shall be on **both** sides.
 - Where islands are utilized, one (1) sign is required for each island adjacent to a fire lane or access road.
- Appropriate entrance sign shall be required at **ALL** entrances (*refer to fire lane sign examples #2 and #3*).
- All signs are to be maintained by the property owner.
- *Red curbs are NOT required for Option 1.*

● = Sign Location Examples



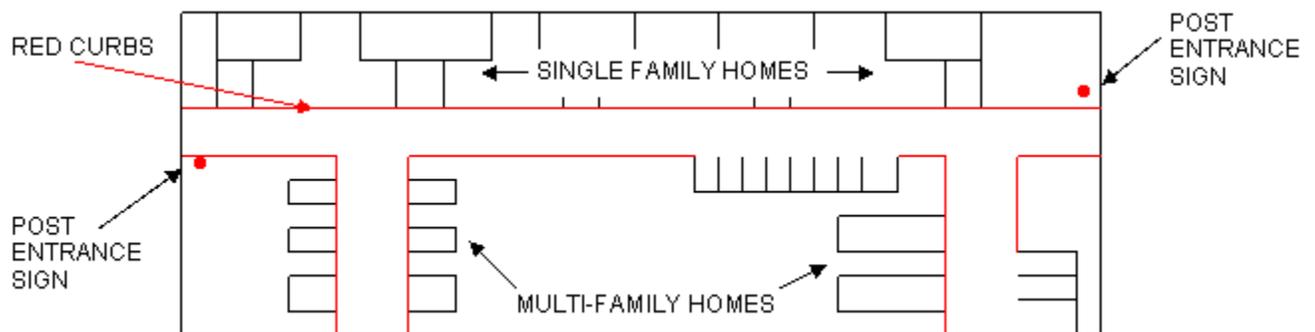
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OPTION 2

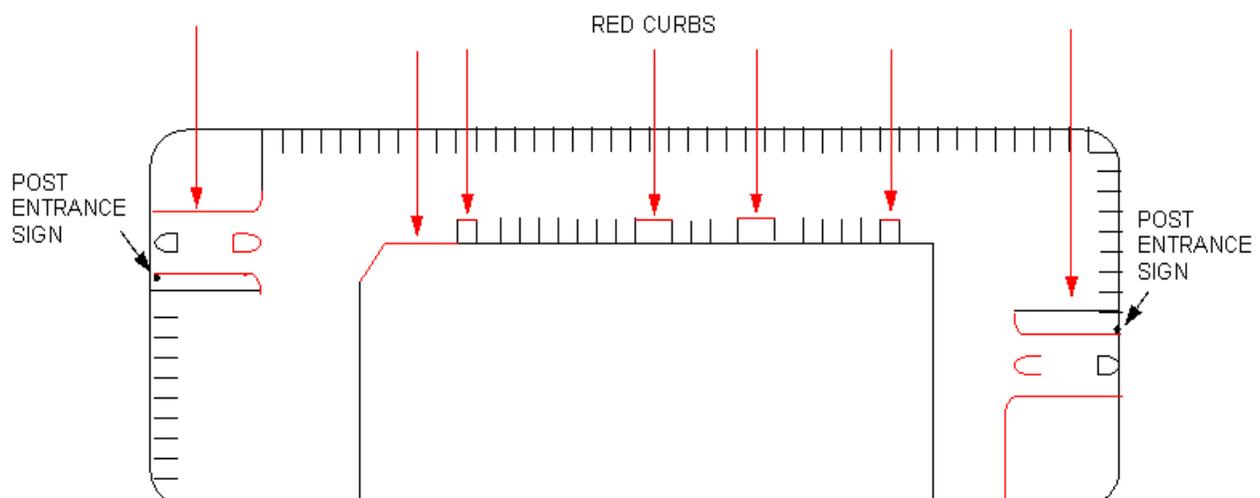
MARKING FIRE LANES WITH RED CURBS AND AN ENTRANCE SIGN

- Curbs marking fire lanes are to be painted OSHA red on **TOP and FACE**.
- OSHA red paint must be continuous across driveways and in front of garages facing fire lane.
- **FIRE LANE** shall be stenciled on the **TOP and FACE** of each curb with 4 inch white letters and spaced 50 feet on center.
- If a section of the curb is less than 25 feet, only one (1) stenciling of **FIRE LANE** is necessary on the **TOP and FACE** of the curb.
- Appropriate entrance signs shall be required at **ALL** Entrances (*refer to fire lane sign examples #2 and #3*).

EXAMPLE OF RESIDENTIAL



EXAMPLE OF COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL



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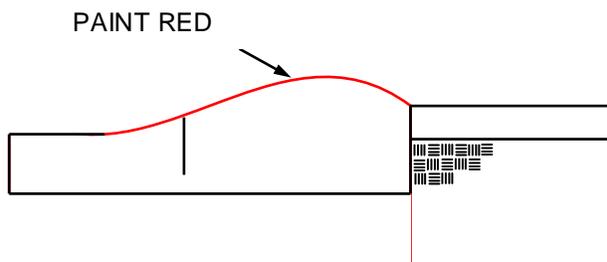
OPTION 3

MARKING FIRE LANES BY PAINTING ROLLED CURBS RED AND POSTING OF AN ENTRANCE SIGN

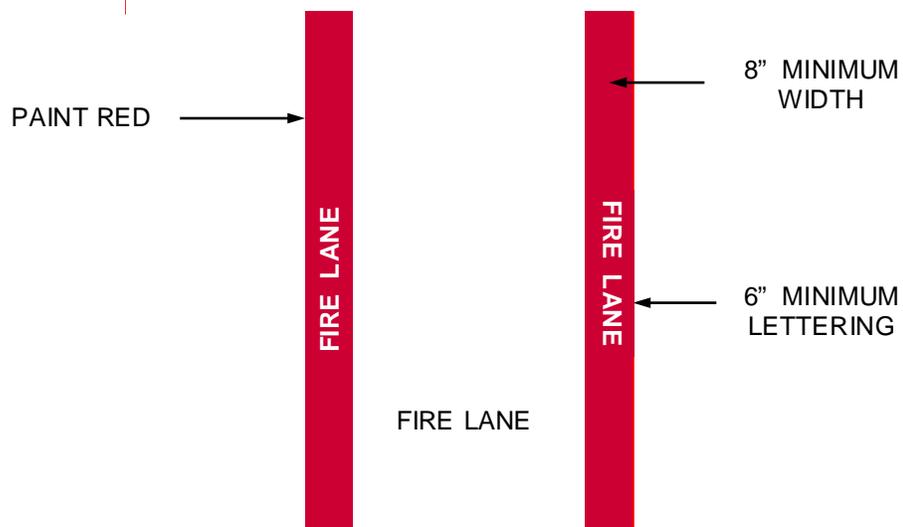
MARKING FIRE LANES THAT DO NOT HAVE CURBS WITH RED STRIPES AND POSTING OF AN ENTRANCE SIGN

- OSHA red paint must be applied on the edge of the roadway or atop the rolled portion of a curb.
- OSHA red paint must be continuous across driveways and in front of garages facing fire lane.
- OSHA red paint shall be 8 inches in width with **FIRE LANE** stenciled in 6 inch white letters.
- **FIRE LANE** stencil shall be spaced 50 feet on center.
- If a section of curb is less than 25 feet, only one stenciling of **FIRE LANE** is necessary on the red paint.
- Appropriate entrance sign shall be required at **ALL** entrances (*refer to fire lane sign examples #2 and #3*).

ROLLED CURB



FIRE LANES WITH NO CURBS



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EXAMPLES OF FIRE LANE MARKINGS

FIRE LANE SIGN (#1)

Interior Signs

12" X 18"

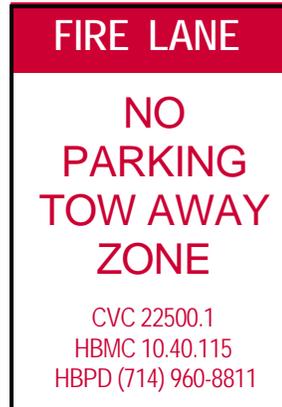
Red Lettering on White Background

Exception: FIRE LANE

White Lettering on Red Background

Not Reflectorized

.063 Gauge



ENTRANCE SIGN (#2)

Used When Marked Stalls Are Provided

18" x 24"

Red Lettering on White Background

Exception: PARK IN MARKED STALLS ONLY

White Lettering on Red Background

Not Reflectorized

.080 Gauge

ENTRANCE SIGN (#3)

Used When No Marked Stalls Are Provided

18" x 24"

Red Lettering on White Background

Exception: FIRE LANE

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SIGN AND POST INSTALLATION

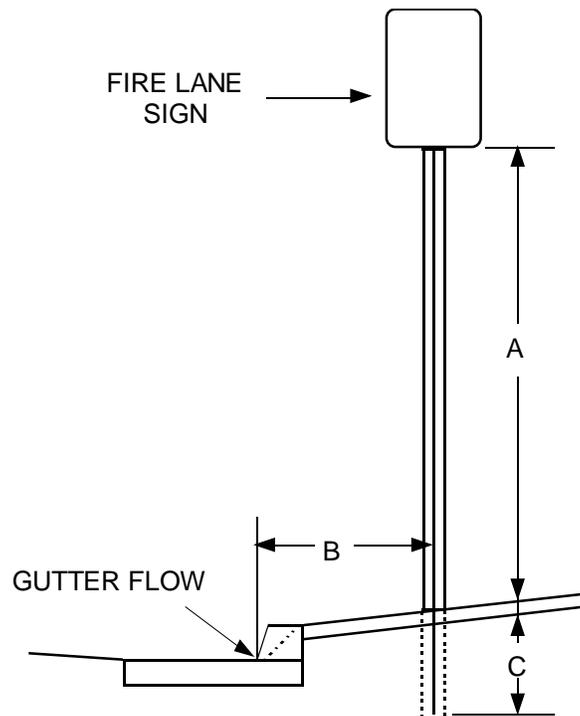
INTERIOR SIGNS: Dimension “A” shall be 7 feet in sidewalk or pedestrian areas, 5 feet in all other areas.

ENTRANCE SIGNS: Dimension “A” shall be 7 feet in sidewalk or pedestrian areas, 3 feet in all other areas.

CURB TO POST: Dimension “B” shall be 18 inches with standard curb, 24 inches with rolled curb to the center of post.

POST EMBEDDED DEPTH: Dimension “C” shall be 24 inches minimum embedment.

NOTE: Signs may be mounted on existing posts or buildings if the post or building is no more than 24 inches from the curb or the edge of road surface.



APPROVED: _____
Patrick McIntosh, Fire Chief

DATE: _____