

Arlington County Fire Lane Sign & Marking Standards



Approved Fire Lane Signs

All fire lane signs must:

- Be metal, size 12" wide x 18" high
- Use red letters on a reflective white background
- Include a 3/8" red trim strip around the edge
- Wording and size:
 - NO PARKING (2" tall, all caps)
 - OR (1" tall, all caps)
 - STANDING (2" tall, all caps)
 - FIRE LANE (2.5" tall, all caps)
 - Arrow(s) as needed (1" x 6", solid head, 1.5" wide x 2" deep)
- Other special signs may be approved by the fire code official

Responsibility

The property or building owner must supply, install, and maintain all signs and markings as directed by the fire code official.

All signs and markings must be maintained in good repair, clear, and visible, free from obstruction and vegetation.

Location & Placement

1. If fire lanes run through parking areas without adjacent curbing and posting a sign is not practical, paint "NO PARKING OR STANDING - FIRE LANE" on the pavement (letters at least 2 feet high).
2. Signs must be posted at max intervals of 75 feet, with the bottom at least 7 feet above grade (unless otherwise approved).
3. Signs installed parallel to the curb or pavement edge, visible to approaching traffic.
4. Posts for signs must be metal and securely mounted (unless otherwise approved).
5. Curbing within fire lane limits must be painted solid yellow.
6. If no curbing, a yellow line should be painted along the pavement perimeter and limits of the fire lane.

