



CITY OF RIVERSIDE FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION

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FIRE APPLIANCE SIGNAGE

This information bulletin is to establish consistent guidelines for the identification of all fire department connections, control valves, and other applicable fire appliances, and their locations.

- The signs shall have minimum dimensions to fit the required sign lettering. The signs shall be constructed of steel, aluminum or rigid plastic and attached to the appliances with a “U”-bolt, chain, cable, or a similar restraining method.
- The signs shall be attached to the appliance or on the building immediately adjacent to the device. Signs shall not interfere with the operation of the device.
- The signs shall be visible from the adjacent public roadway or fire department emergency access roadway. The signs shall not be obstructed by landscape.
- The signs shall be red, and all lettering shall be in white. The minimum size of the lettering shall be at least 1 1/2-inch in height and 1/8-inch wide. Polished Brass or Chrome finish with black lettering is permissible. (Adhesive vinyl letters are not acceptable.)
- The sign shall include the following information:
 - Line 1: Type of appliance and /or function, such as: PIV, FDC, BFP, DC Control Valve, Standpipe, etc.
 - Line 2: Device ID, such as: Northeast sectional, south main, system #3, etc.
 - Line 3: Building and/or address numbers, which are served by the device.
- When a building is equipped with multiple fire protection systems, a diagram indicating the location of all control valves, sprinkler risers and the area(s) protected by each riser shall be posted next to the fire alarm annunciator. The system number shall be stenciled on each riser with 3” high white numbers.
- Doors providing access to rooms or areas where the fire alarm control unit or fire sprinkler riser is located shall be labeled “FACP Inside”, “Fire Sprinkler Riser Inside”. For exterior doors, this identification shall consist of a permanent, weather-resistant sign or letters. The lettering shall be at least three inches in height. Signs shall have a red background with white lettering. Adhesive or stenciled letters are typically red but can be any color approved by the fire code official which contrasts with the color of the door or glazing. Interior doors shall be identified in a manner acceptable to the fire code official.

This information bulletin establishes the minimum required dimensions for the signs. Consult with your Fire Inspector before ordering the signs.