



SANTA CLARA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

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STANDARD DETAILS & SPECIFICATIONS

SUBJECT: Fire Lane Marking

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SCOPE

The Fire Department is authorized to direct the installation of approved signs or other approved notices for the identification of fire lanes and fire apparatus access roads. The purpose is to allow such areas to be readily identified by all persons to prevent obstruction of required emergency vehicles access.

DEFINITIONS

Driveway: A vehicular access roadway less than 20 feet in width and serving no more than two single-family dwellings.

Fire Lane: A road or other passageway developed to allow the passage of fire apparatus. A fire lane is not necessarily intended for vehicular traffic other than fire apparatus.

Fire Apparatus Access Roads: A road that provides fire apparatus access from a fire station to a facility, building or portion thereof. This is a general term inclusive of all other terms such as fire lane, public street, private street, parking lot lane and access roadway.

REQUIREMENTS

I. Fire Apparatus Roadway Marking

A. Where required by the Fire Code Official, fire apparatus access roads shall be designated and marked as a fire lane as set forth in Section 22500.1 of the California Vehicle Code and this Standard. Detailed plans showing the location of the lanes may be required. Note that fire apparatus access roads, driveways and fire lane shall not be marked as fire lanes without first obtaining Fire Department approval in accordance with CFC 503.3. The marking shall be any one of the following methods or as specified by the fire code official:

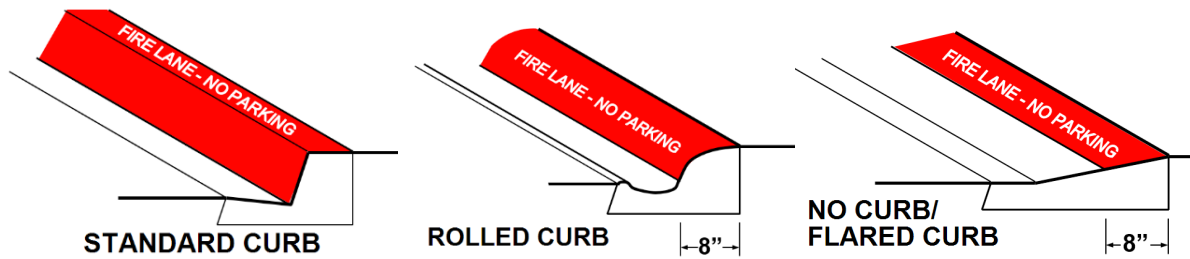
1. **Curb Marking**: Curb top shall be painted red, and the words, "FIRE LANE - NO PARKING" in white, shall be stenciled on the top and side of all red curbs



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at a maximum interval of 30 feet. Letters shall be 3-inches in height with a minimum $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch stroke.



B. **Roadway Surface Marking:** Outlining or painting the fire lane area in red with the words “FIRE LANE - NO PARKING” in white, at intervals of not more than 50 feet or as otherwise directed by the Fire Code Official. Outlining shall be minimum of 8 inches. Size of lettering shall be not less than 24-inches in height and 3-inch stroke.

C. **Signage Marking:**

1. Signs shall be of metal construction, measuring 12-inches wide and 18-inches high, and of a reflective type. Plastic or wooden signs are not acceptable.
2. Signs shall read: “NO PARKING – FIRE LANE 22500.1 CVC.” Lettering shall be not less than 1-inch in height and clearly visible from a vehicle.
3. Signs shall be in visible locations and mounted on galvanized metal poles at a height of 7ft. Signs shall be maintained and unobstructed.
4. The distance between signs posted along the fire lane shall not exceed 50 feet. Not less than two signs shall be posted in each block. If traffic flows in two directions, signs must be posted so as to be readable from either direction.

