



Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District

Community Risk Reduction Division

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ADDRESSING

All buildings are required to have the street address posted. Addresses should be visible from the street, in minimum of 6 inch numbers that contrast with their background. The fire code official may require larger address numbers based on the site conditions. In addition, the addresses shall be internally or externally illuminated for all new construction projects. It is recommended that existing addresses be relocated under existing lighting. If the building address is not visible from the public way, an address at the public way is required.

Another consideration is the location of the numbers. Numbering shall not be obstructed by trees, exterior walls or any other object which would hinder the view of the numbers. If an obstruction is present, it shall either be removed or the numbering shall be relocated to a visible location.

In buildings with multiple suites or businesses, the individual suites or businesses shall also be clearly identified, by placing the suite number over or on the main entry/exit door. The address shall be clearly visible and be of a contrasting color. Any other doors providing access to the suite or business shall be marked in the same manner. A directory board is required at the entrance to a large commercial complex when the buildings are not clearly visible and identifiable from the street. Apartment building numbers shall be identified in the same manner as addresses. Apartment units within the buildings shall be clearly identified on the building placard. Individual apartments shall be identified by placing the unit number on or adjacent to the door.

Example of building address:



Example of suite address:



Examples of apartment complex addressing:

