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# Fire Master Plan for Commercial and Residential Development Guideline



#### **PURPOSE**

The effectiveness of emergency response and firefighting operations is directly related to the proper installation and maintenance of fire access roadways, the proper sitting of hydrants, adequate water supply, and access to structures. This document is a general guideline pertaining to the creation and maintenance of fire department access roadways, access walkways to and around buildings, and hydrant quantity and placement as required by the 2022 California Fire and Building Codes (CFC and CBC) and as amended by local ordinance. This guideline includes requirements for:

- Plan submittal
- Fire access roadway design
- Fire lane identification
- Premises identification
- Fire lane obstructions
- Access for residential development
- Alternative engineered fire access systems
- Hydrant quantity, spacing, placement, and identification
- Water availability and fire flow
- Access to structures
- Access during construction

#### **SCOPE**

These guidelines apply to new, remodeled, reconstructed, or relocated residential or commercial structures and developments to which emergency response may be necessary. The information contained in this document is intended to assist the applicant in attaining compliance and to ensure that privately owned roadways necessary for emergency response purposes will be available for use at all times. Some of the issues discussed within this document may be covered in more detail through other Redlands City & Fire guidelines. Areas of particular importance and requirements that are commonly overlooked on fire department access and water plans submittals have been identified with a black arrow in the left margin.

The following definitions are provided to facilitate the consistent application of this guideline:

Access Walkways - An approved walking surface leading from fire access roadways to exterior doors, the area beneath rescue windows, and other required openings in structures.

*Bollards* - Permanent or removable poles that are placed across a roadway for restricting vehicular access to a portion of a site or to protect a piece of equipment from potential vehicular damage. Bollards are not permitted across a fire access roadway.

Fire Apparatus Access Roads - The means for emergency apparatus to access a facility or structure for emergency purposes. Roadways must extend to within 150 feet of all portions of the exterior of the first floor of any structure and must meet specified criteria for width, pavement characteristics, roadway gradient, turning radius, etc. Fire apparatus access roads are also referred to as fire lanes.

Fire Lane Identification – Signs or curb markings that allow fire apparatus access roads to be readily recognized so that they will remain unobstructed and available for emergency use at all times.

Gates and Barriers - Devices that restrict pedestrian and vehicle ingress and egress to and from a facility.

Gate and Barrier Locks - Devices that are installed on gates and barriers to secure a property or facility.

Hose Pull – The effective distance (150 feet) that firefighters can drag a hose from fire apparatus to attack a fire. Hose pull is measured along a simulated path of travel accounting for obstructions and not "as the crow flies." See Attachments 27 and 28.

*Premises Identification* - The visual means (address numbers) used to readily identify a property or facility street address. It may also be used to distinguish separate buildings within a single facility or property.

*Rescue Openings* – Exterior doors or windows required in all sleeping rooms in R occupancies located below the fourth story of a building that allow rescue of trapped occupants.

Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ) – A designated area in which the type and condition of vegetation, topography, fire history, and other relevant factors increase the possibility of uncontrollable wildland fire. Structures within a VHFHSZ require special construction features to protect against wildfire hazards; please consult with the local building department and refer to CBC Chapter 7A for specific requirements.

# SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

#### 1. Plan Submittal Requirements

Plans shall be provided to demonstrate compliance with all codes and other regulations governing water availability for firefighting and emergency access to sites and structures within the City of Redlands. In addition, changes to existing structures or sites shall be reviewed by the Redlands Fire Department (RFD) to ensure that the modifications do not affect water availability or access.

- A. Submittals Two plan sets will need to be submitted to the City of Redlands Building Department. The Redlands plan review and inspection fees are due upon submittal of the plans.
- B. Scope The scope of work shall be clearly indicated on the plan. If the building or site in question was approved previously, include the Redlands permit number of that prior approval on the new plans. A copy of the previously approved fire master plan shall be submitted along with new plan sets for any revision.

C. Building Data – Information related to the building's location, use, and construction shall be clearly indicated on the plan.



- 1) Include the project's street address (or a working address of the job trailer or future building on the site when not known) and the tract, tentative tract, or parcel map number (this is NOT the County Assessor's parcel number or APN).
- 2) Indicate the types of occupancies that will be housed in the structure as listed in California Building Code (CBC) Chapter 3.
- 3) Indicate the construction type of each building and whether footnote 'd' from Table 601 is being applied for a 1-hour construction type equivalency.
- 4) Indicate the building height on the plans as defined in CBC. If the building height is greater than 50 feet, also indicate the elevation change (measured from finished floor to finished floor) between the lowest floor giving access to the structure and the highest occupied floor or occupied roof deck.



- 5) Note the type of sprinkler system installed/proposed (e.g., NFPA 13, 13-R, or 13-D).
- 6) For structures, larger than 6,000 square feet, provide an allowable area calculation (and a mixed occupancy calculation, if the building houses multiple occupancies) to demonstrate that the building can be of the specified size and construction type.



2. Required Plan Notes – Include the Redlands Fire Department Access & Water Notes on the plan. See Attachment 1.



- E. Water Availability To facilitate the review process and avoid untimely delays in project approval, applicants are strongly encouraged to arrange a hydrant flow test with the water company *prior to submitting plans to the City of Redlands* if the project includes a new structure or increase in the floor area of an existing structure. Water availability information may not be required to be submitted for every project, and plans may be submitted with a hydrant flow test pending, but the applicant should understand that project approval may be delayed if it is determined during review that this information is required. If the project requires evaluation of the available fire flow, it will not be approved without a completed Redlands Water Availability form or equivalent data sheets from a water district. Water availability information must be no older than six months.
- F. Conditions of Approval To ensure consistency of the fire access plan with project conditions, include any conditions of approval pertaining to the review of the project on the plans. If the project does not require review and entitlement by the Planning Commission, City Council, or the planning department permit review process is required but has not yet been completed, please state this on the plan. If you are unsure whether your project requires planning approval, please contact the planning department.

G. Complete Attachment 2, Fire Master Plan Submittal Checklist, and verify that basic project information has been provided and that general access and water requirements have been addressed on the plan.

## 2. Fire Access Roadways

Fire access roadways, commonly referred to as fire lanes, shall be provided for every facility or building when any portion of an exterior wall of the first story is located more than 150 feet from a public roadway, as measured along an approved route. Extenuating circumstances, increased hazards, and additional fire safety features may affect these requirements. CFC 503.1

- A. Fire Apparatus Access Road Design Fire access roadways must be engineered to support emergency response apparatus. Roadways must be designed to facilitate turning radii of apparatus and meet requirements for gradient, height clearance, and width. Specific criteria pertaining to the design of fire access roadways are detailed below.
  - 1) Fire access roadways shall be designed, constructed, and maintained to support the imposed loads of Redlands fire apparatus with a total weight of 75,000 pounds. The surface shall be designed, constructed, and maintained to provide all-weather driving capabilities. A letter or statement, wet-stamped and signed by a registered engineer, shall be provided on the plans certifying that any new roadway meets this 75,000 pound, all-weather requirement. Road base without an appropriate topping or binding material does not satisfy the all-weather requirement.



#### 2) Number of Fire Apparatus Access Roads Required:

- a) One is required if any portion of an exterior wall of the first story of a building is located more than 150 feet from a fire access roadway. That access is to be measured by an approved route around the exterior of the building (see Section 9: Access to Structures).
- b) More than one road is required if it is determined that access by a single road may be insufficient due to terrain, location, travel distance, potential fire or life-safety hazards, or other factors that could limit access or if vehicle congestion, railways, or weather conditions could impair the single-entry point. Supplementary access points shall be located to facilitate evacuation and emergency operations and minimize congestion or obstruction during an emergency incident.
  - i. A minimum of two vehicle access points is required for any development containing 150 or more residential units.

ii. A secondary access point may also be required for commercial projects more than 50,000 sq.ft. in building area. Requirements may vary depending on factors such as building use, expected vehicle and occupant load on site, traffic stacking, or impact on surrounding streets.

#### 3) Location of Fire Apparatus Access Roads:

For purposes of determining the suitability of public roads and fire access roadways for staging fire apparatus and facilitating fire suppression operations for a particular structure, the following criteria shall apply:

- a) To protect fire apparatus, personnel, and equipment from damage and injury from falling debris, the edge of fire access roadways serving multi-story buildings should be located no closer than 10 to 30 feet from the building, the actual distance being a function of overall building height with consideration given to building construction, presence of openings, and other potential hazards. As distances greater than 40 feet inhibit the use of vehicle-mounted ladders while distances closer than 20 feet do not allow for a proper laddering angle, the edge of fire lanes serving structures four or more stories in height shall be located between 20 and 40 feet from the building. These distances are measured from the face of the building to the top edge of the curb face or rolled curb flow line nearest the structure. To ensure that vehicular access and egress from dead-end fire access roadways serving multi-story buildings are maintained at all times, staging areas shall be provided along the roadway to permit fire apparatus to pass ladder trucks that have outriggers extended. Consideration shall be given to the length of the roadway, roof and building design, obstructions to laddering, and other operational factors in determining the number, location, and configuration of such staging areas.
- b) Access may be taken from an on-site fire apparatus access road or from a public road with an average daily trip (ADT) count below 30,000 unless a recorded access easement agreement is in effect to obtain access from adjacent properties. Contact the city Traffic Engineer's Office or Public Works Department for ADT information.
- c) Public roads with an ADT count of 30,000 or more may be acceptable as a fire department access point serving an adjacent site when certain conditions and features (e.g., vehicle turnouts, acceleration/deceleration lanes) are present that limit the hazard to firefighters and other drivers. Such access roads will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.
- 4) Width of Fire Access Roads The minimum width of a fire access roadway is 20 feet. If a center median is included, the required width shall be provided on both sides of the median.



In VHFHSZ, fire lanes shall be at least 26 feet wide. This width shall be provided to a logical termination outside of the VHFHSZ. Refer to the FHSZ maps or contact the

Redlands Planning and Development Services Section to determine whether your project is located within a VHFHSZ.

The width of fire department access roads is measured from top face of the curb to top face of the curb on streets with standard vertical curbs and gutters, and from flow line to flow line on streets with rolled, sloped, flared, or other non-vertical curb and gutter configurations. Flow line is the lowest continuous elevation on a curb. Road sections and curb details or approved city street improvement plans may be required to verify method of measurement.



- 5) Parking Restrictions No parking is permitted on roadways that are narrower than 28 feet in width. Parking on one side is permitted on a roadway that is at least 28 feet but less than 36 feet in width. Parking on two sides is permitted on a roadway 36 feet or more in width. These restrictions apply to all roads serving as fire lanes, including those located in VHFHSZ. See Attachment 3. Note: Minimum street widths for allowed parking may be more restrictive in some cities. Check with the Planning Department for specific requirements.
- 6) Vertical Clearance Fire access roads shall have an unobstructed vertical clearance of not less than 13 feet 6 inches. If trees are located adjacent to the fire access roadway, place a note on the plans stating that all vegetation overhanging the fire access roadway shall be maintained to provide a clear height of 13 feet 6 inches at all times. See Attachments 4 and 5.
- 7) Fire Apparatus Access Road Grade The grade for access roads shall not exceed 10% or 5.7 degrees. The grade may be increased to a maximum of 12% for approved lengths of access roadways, when all structures served by the access road are protected by automatic fire sprinkler systems. Cross-slope shall not be greater than 2% for paved access roadways.
- 8) Inside and Outside Turning Radii The inside turning radius for an access road shall be 20 feet or greater. The outside turning radius for an access road shall be 40 feet or greater. As fire apparatus are unable to negotiate tight "S" curves, a 56-foot straight leg must be provided between these types of compound turns or the radii and/or road width must be increased accordingly. See Attachment 6.
  - Dead-end Access Roadways Dead-end roadways in excess of 150 feet shall be designed and constructed with approved turnarounds or hammerheads. Turnarounds shall meet the turning radius requirements identified above. The minimum cul-de-sac radius is 42 feet with no parking allowed. The maximum length of a cul-de-sac road without mid-way turnarounds or other mitigating features is 800 feet. See Attachment 7.
- 9) Bridges When a bridge is required as part of an access road, it shall be a minimum of 20' in width and designed and constructed to accommodate a total weight of 68,000

pounds. Apparatus weight is distributed as 46,000 pounds on tandem rear axles and 22,000 pounds on the front axle.

10) Median breaks - Where medians or raised islands are proposed that prevent emergency apparatus from crossing over into opposing traffic lanes, breaks or pass-throughs may be required to be provided. The location and design specifications for the pass-through shall be coordinated with the city public works or engineering department.

## 3. Fire Access Roadway Identification

Fire lane identification will be required when it is necessary to restrict parking of vehicles in order to maintain the required width of fire access roadways for emergency vehicle use. Unlawful use of fire lanes will be enforced by the local law enforcement agency in accordance with the California Vehicle Code (CVC). See Attachment 8.



Sign and Curb Marking Options - Areas designated as a fire lane require an acceptable method of marking that shall be approved prior to installation. Examples of dimensions and acceptable options for signage installations and markings are found in Attachments 9 through 14. The following methods are acceptable means of identifying designated fire lanes for public and private streets. Choose either option 1 *OR* option 2 below.

- 1 Specific areas designated by the Redlands Fire Department as fire lanes must be marked with red curbs meeting the specifications in Attachment 9. In addition, where the number of entrances into the area marked with fire lanes is limited, all such vehicle entrances to the designated area shall be posted with approved fire lane entrance signs meeting the specifications in Attachment 10. This option is preferred by the RFD.
- 2 "Fire Lane—No Parking" signs meeting the specifications in Attachment 11 shall be posted immediately adjacent to each designated fire lane and at intervals not to exceed 50 feet. See Attachment 12. In addition, where the number of entrances into the area marked with fire lanes is limited, all such vehicle entrances to the designated area shall be posted with approved fire lane entrance signs.

Note: All alternative signs must be approved through the Redlands Fire Department and by the city engineer and/or police agency, as applicable.

#### 4. Premises Identification

Three possible configurations of buildings or units within a building may exist and are identified as follows: freestanding buildings, multi-unit buildings, or multi-building clusters. Common to all configurations are the following requirements:

A. Approved numbers or addresses shall be placed on the front elevation of all new or existing buildings in such a position that is plainly visible and legible from the street or road on which the property is addressed. Addresses shall not be located where they have the potential of being obstructed by signs, awnings, vegetation, or other building/site elements.

An address monument at the vehicle entrance or other location clearly visible and legible from the public road may be provided in lieu of an address on the structure where only a single building with a single street address is present and no other structures are accessible from the fire lane serving that structure. CBC 501.2, CFC 505.1

- B. The numbers shall contrast with their background.
- C. New and existing buildings shall have approved address numbers, building numbers or approved building identification placed in a position that is plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property. Address numbers and building identification shall contrast with their background. Address numbers and building identification shall be Arabic numerals or alphabet letters. New residential buildings that contain not more than two dwelling units shall have minimum 4 inch (102 mm) high numbers, with a minimum stroke width of ½ inch (13 mm), and shall be internally illuminated by means of a low voltage power source during the hours of darkness. Where building setbacks exceed 100 feet (30 m) from the street or road, additional non-illuminated 4 inch (102 mm) numbers shall be displayed at the property entrance. Other buildings shall have minimum 8 inch (203 mm) high numbers, with a minimum stroke width of 1 inch (25 mm). Such address numbers shall be electrically illuminated by an internal or external source during the hours of darkness. Buildings with a total floor area of 100,000 square feet (9290 m<sup>2</sup>) or greater shall have minimum 12 inch (305 mm) high numbers, with a minimum stroke width of 1½ inches (38 mm). Such address numbers shall be electrically illuminated by an internal or external source during the hours of darkness. Where building setbacks exceed 200 feet (61 m) from the street or road, additional non-illuminated 6 inch (152 mm) high numbers shall be displayed at the property entrance. Individual suite addresses shall be displayed with minimum 4 inch (102 mm) high contrasting numbers or letters placed on the front and rear doors of tenant areas in buildings, where applicable.
- D. Numbers for new buildings shall be illuminated to be visible at night.
- E. Where it is unclear as to which street a building is addressed to (e.g., a building is accessed only from a street other than the one it is addressed to; multiple main entrances to the site or building itself front different streets), the name of the street shall also be identified as part of the posted address.

In addition to common requirements specified above, the following additional requirements pertain to each building configuration:

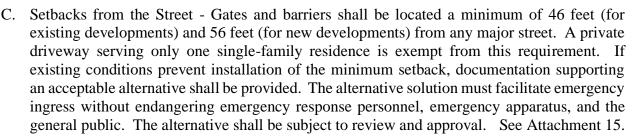
F. Multi-Unit Buildings - Suite/apartment numbers shall be placed on or adjacent to the primary entrance for each suite/apartment and any other door providing access to fire department personnel during an emergency. Multiple residential and commercial units having entrance doors not visible from the street or road shall, in addition, have approved numbers grouped for all units within each structure and positioned to be plainly visible from the street or road.

G. Multi-Building Clusters - Approved numbers or addresses shall be placed on the front elevation(s) of all buildings that form the cluster. If all building addresses are not clearly visible or legible from the public road serving the structures, an address monument shall also be provided at the entry point(s) to the site indicating the range of addresses accessible from that entrance.

## 5. Obstructions to Emergency Vehicle Access

Existing or proposed gates and barriers crossing fire apparatus access roadways must be shown on the plans. Information such as the location, type of gate (e.g., swinging, sliding), dimensions, and method of operation (manual, electric) must also be provided. Note or identify the following on the fire master plan:

- A. Clear Width Gated openings for egress and ingress of vehicles shall not be less than 13 feet clear width. The vertical clearance shall not be less than 13 feet 6 inches, including landscaping and/or trees. This reduction in width is applicable only to the area immediately adjacent to the guard house or gate. Roads leading up to and beyond the guard house or gate shall meet standard fire lane width requirements prescribed in Section 2.A.5 of this guideline. See Attachment 4.
- B. Turning Radii The minimum inside turning radius is 20 feet with an outside radius of 42 feet for both the exterior and the interior approach to the gate.



- D. Setbacks from First Interior Turn A 27-foot minimum unobstructed setback is required from a gate to the first turn to allow emergency apparatus clearance. See Attachment 15.
- E. Manually Operated Gate and Barrier Design Typical gate designs may include sliding gates, swinging gates or arms, or guard posts with a chain traversing the opening.
  - 1) Permanent or removable bollards are not permitted to be placed across fire access roadways. CFC 503.4
  - 2) For gates and barriers that are not used on a frequent basis or those that are located such that they have a reasonable likelihood of being blocked by vehicles, vegetation, furniture, or other obstructions (e.g., secondary fire department vehicle ingress/egress points, gates accessed from plazas or turf block areas), permanent signage constructed of 18-gauge steel or equivalent shall be attached on each face of the gate or barrier that



reads "FIRE LANE—NO PARKING." See Attachment 16 for an example of a barrier sign.

- 3) Manually operated gates and barriers shall have frangible padlocks, Knox padlocks, or weather-resistant Knox key boxes. The key box shall be placed four to five feet above the roadway surface at the right side of the access gate in a conspicuous location that is readily visible and accessible. The key box must be clearly labeled "FIRE DEPT." CFC 506
- F. Electrically Operated Gates and Barriers



- 1) In the event of loss of normal power to the gate operating mechanism, it shall be automatically transferred to a fail-safe mode allowing the gate to be pushed open by a single firefighter without any other actions, knowledge, or manipulation of the operating mechanism being necessary and without the use of battery back-up power; this shall be noted on the plan. The manufacturer's specification sheet demonstrating compliance with this method of operation during power loss shall be provided or scanned directly onto the plan. Should the gate be too large or heavy for a single firefighter to open manually, a secondary source of power by means of an emergency generator or a capacitor with enough reserve to automatically and immediately open the gate upon loss of primary power shall be provided.
- 2) The gate control for electronic gates shall be operable by a Knox emergency override key switch (with dust cover). The key switch shall be placed between 42" and 48" above the roadway surface at the right side of the access gate within two feet of the edge of the roadway. The key switch shall be readily visible and unobstructed from the fire lane leading to the gate. The key switch shall be clearly labeled "FIRE DEPT."
- 3) Upon activation of the key switch, the gate shall open and remain open until returned to normal operation by means of the key switch. Where a gate consists of two leaves, the key switch shall open both simultaneously if operation of a single leaf on the ingress side does not provide for the width, turning radii, or setbacks necessary for fire apparatus to navigate the vehicle entry point. Note this requirement on the plan.
- 4) The key switch shall be labeled with a permanent red sign with not less than ½" contrasting letters reading "FIRE DEPT" or with a "Knox" decal. Note this requirement on the plan.
- G. Gate and Barrier Locks Gate or barrier locks shall be reviewed and approved prior to their installation on any new and/or existing access gate or barrier.

#### 6. Requirements for Residential Tract Developments

The following requirements apply to all new residential tract developments with single-family homes or duplexes. They may also be applied to individual single-family homes or duplexes or to multi-family housing projects as approved by the fire code official.

#### A. Cul-de-sacs. See Attachment 17.

- 1) Any street that is a required fire lane and greater than 150 feet in length shall be provided with a 42-foot minimum turning radius or other approved turnaround within 150' of the end of the fire lane. See Attachment 17.
- 2) The cul-de-sac "bulb" (the portion at the end of the cul-de-sac street which is wider than the cul-de-sac "neck" leading to it) shall be identified as a fire lane with red curbs or "Fire Lane—No Parking" signs. Fire lane markings may be omitted from the bulb if one or more of the following applies:
  - a. A three-point turn may be made within 150' of the end of the cul-de-sac with all areas along the curb assumed to be occupied by parked vehicles. Auto-Turn software or other approved methods shall be used to demonstrate this. See Attachment 7; or
  - b. The length of the cul-de-sac street, including any driveway or spur road accessed from the bulb that is a required fire lane, is not more than 150 feet; or
  - c. The radius of the cul-de-sac is at least 46 feet; or
  - d. The cul-de-sac is a public street and local traffic or planning restrictions prohibit the designation of fire lanes in the bulb:
    - i. The homes accessed from the bulb of the cul-de-sac shall be protected with an automatic fire sprinkler system complying with NFPA 13-D. The sprinkler system shall include full protection of the attic space(s).
    - ii. Written concurrence shall be provided from the city traffic engineer indicating that such a prohibition on fire lane signs or red curbs is consistent with local zoning, development, and traffic codes.
- 3) Cul-de-sacs longer than 150 feet that are required to be designated as fire lanes may contain a center island provided that:
  - a. A minimum 28-foot-wide drive lane with an adequate inside turning radius is provided around the island, and
  - b. Island landscaping will not intrude into the drive lane, and
  - c. Any home that uses the portion of the cul-de-sac beyond the beginning of the island to satisfy hose-pull requirements is protected with an automatic fire sprinkler

system complying with NFPA 13-D; the sprinkler system shall include full protection of the attic space(s) or another approved method of mitigation.

- i. Where the radius of the cul-de-sac and size of the island is such that access can be taken only from the portion of the drive lane beyond the beginning of the island (i.e., the road around the island is effectively a curved road and no longer presents the same obstruction to suppression activities as an island cul-de-sac would), attic protection need not be provided when approved by the Fire Marshal.
- d. The island is designated a no parking area with red curbs or fire lane signs.

See Attachments 18 and 19.

- 4) Cul-de-sac streets that are not required fire lanes as determined by the Fire Marshal are exempt from fire lane identification, turnaround, and other standard requirements. See Attachment 20.
- B. Residential eyebrow roads. See Attachment 21.
  - 1) If the "eyebrow" does not meet Redlands turning radius and minimum width, fire department access will be measured around the island and any other obstructions from the nearest available fire lane.
- C. When a detached single-family home or duplex, or related accessory structure (poolhouse, casita, garage, workshop, barn, etc.) on a single-family residential lot, is protected throughout by an approved NFPA 13-D, 13-R, or 13 fire sprinkler system, access distance as measured along an approved route from the fire apparatus to the main entry door serving the interior of the structure may be up to 300 feet. Enhancements to the sprinkler system or project may be required when this distance exceeds 300 feet or when otherwise necessary to mitigate deficiencies in water supply, hydrant location, inaccessible portions of the building's perimeter, location in a cul-de-sac with an island, etc.
- D. Since local law enforcement resources are limited for enforcement purposes in private developments, the City of Loma Linda requires a viable parking enforcement plan from the developer prior to approving the fire department access & water plan. Parking enforcement plans shall include:
  - 1) Detailed information specifically identifying who will be responsible for enforcing the plan, and
  - 2) Powers granted to the entity shall include vehicle towing for parking violations (include language similar to that provided in Attachment 8 of this guideline), and
  - 3) The level of enforcement to be carried out within the development.

This information must be integrated into the fire master plan. Evidence that the enforcement plan is permanently incorporated into the Conditions, Covenants, and Restrictions (CCRs) and/or recorded against the deed shall be provided prior to Redlands approval of the final map or print of linen. Once approved, these provisions cannot be amended without written approval by the Redlands Fire Department. See Attachment 22 for a sample enforcement letter.

## 7. Engineered Alternative Fire Apparatus Access Systems

- A. Fire apparatus access roads shall be designed and maintained to support the imposed loads of fire apparatus and shall be surfaced with an approved concrete or asphalt covering so as to provide all-weather driving capabilities. Turf block, Ritter Rings, Turf Paver and other similar products shall not be used for fire department access surfacing.
- B. Where rural road grades do not exceed 8%, the fire code official may approve access roads of approved native materials or gravel when compacted to 95%.

## 8. Hydrant and Water Availability Requirements

Applicants must provide documentation that hydrants are provided in the quantity and spacing described in California Fire Code (CFC) Appendix C. This will prove that they are capable of delivering the amount of water required by CFC Appendix B. The quantity and spacing of hydrants is governed by the fire flow required for the structure(s) served. The required fire flow is dependent upon the size of the structure, type of construction, and whether the building is equipped with fire sprinklers. This information must be shown clearly on the plans to assist in the determination of the fire flow requirement.



- A. Water Availability To facilitate the review process and avoid untimely delays in project approval, applicants are strongly encouraged to arrange a hydrant flow test with the water company *prior to submitting plans to the Redlands Fire Department* if the project includes a new structure or increase in the floor area of an existing structure. Water availability information may not be required to be submitted for every project, and plans may be submitted with a hydrant flow test pending, but the applicant should understand that project approval may be delayed if it is determined during review that this information is required. If the project requires evaluation of the available fire flow, it will not be approved without a completed Loma Linda Water Availability form or equivalent data sheets from a water district. Water availability information must be no older than six months.
  - 1) Obtain a <u>Water Availability form</u> from Redlands Building Department.
  - 2) Fill out the project and building information in the first section of the <u>Water Availability form</u>. Care should be taken when determining the applicable fire area for the project. As stated above, fire flow is dependent on several factors, so *the largest building or group of structures is not necessarily the most demanding* in terms of fire flow.



- 3) Determine the required fire flow from CFC Table B105.1, provided in Attachment 23. A <u>maximum 50%</u> reduction in fire flow (but not duration) may be taken when the fire-flow calculation area consists only of buildings equipped with an approved automatic fire sprinkler system.
- 4) Contact the local water company to request a hydrant flow test or fire flow modeling calculation, and have a representative of the water company complete and sign the last section on the form. In some cases, the water company may allow or require a qualified third party to perform the flow test for you.
  - a) In newly developed areas without water infrastructure, the water department may issue a "will-serve" letter indicating the expected amount of water that will be delivered once the water system is installed and operational.
  - b) If multiple hydrants are located within the maximum distance allowed by CFC Table C102.1, the amount of water available from each hydrant may be combined, provided that the hydrants are flowed simultaneously.
  - c) It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the following information is provided at a minimum on either the water company's test data sheet and/or the Redlands Water Availability form:
    - (a) Static pressure and residual pressure in psi and observed flow in gpm; or
    - (b) Calculated flow in gpm at 20 psi.
  - d) Scan or photocopy the completed form or data sheets onto your plans or include the original with your plan submittal.
- 5) Please ensure that the fire area, building size, construction type, and flow data are complete and accurate. Errors or omissions in this information may result in plans having to be resubmitted or fire flow testing being redone.
- B. Fire-Flow Calculation Area The fire-flow calculation area shall be the total floor area of all floor levels within the exterior walls, and under the horizontal projections of the roof of a building, except as modified in Section B104.3. Portions of buildings which are separated by fire walls without openings, constructed in accordance with the California Building Code are allowed to be considered as separate fire-flow calculation areas. The fire-flow calculation area of buildings constructed of Type IA and Type IB construction shall be the area of the three largest successive floors. CFC Appendix B Section B104
- C. Hydrant Location Hydrants shall be provided along the length of the fire access roadway in the quantities and up to the maximum distances prescribed in CFC Table C-102.1. See Attachments 24 and 28.

- 1) Hydrants must be located no more than three feet from the edge of a fire access roadway and cannot be located in areas where they will be visually or operationally obstructed (behind fences or walls, in bushes, behind parking spaces, etc.). Clearance shall be provided to a distance no less than three feet from the perimeter of the hydrant. Where hydrants are located in landscaped areas, a 4x4' concrete pad shall be required to ensure that vegetation does not encroach on this clear space.
- 2) The hydrant outlets must face the fire access roadway. Where all of the outlets cannot face the fire access roadway (e.g., the hydrant is located in a landscape peninsula or island in a parking lot; the hydrant has three outlets), the 4" outlet(s) shall take precedence.



- 3) The hydrant shall be located at least 40 feet from the building(s) it serves. Where it is impractical to locate the hydrant 40 feet from adjacent structures, additional hydrants may be provided or the hydrant may be located closer provided that nearby walls do not contain openings and the hydrant is not otherwise located where it can be rendered inoperable due to damage from collapsed walls, debris, or excessive heat.
- 4) Hydrants shall be located so that a hose line running between the hydrant and the fire department connection(s) (FDCs) served by that hydrant does not cross driveways, obstruct roads or fire lanes, or otherwise interfere with emergency vehicle response and evacuation of a site.
- 5) Hydrants and fire department connections shall not be located behind parking stalls or in other locations where they are likely to be blocked by vehicles or other objects. Whenever possible, hydrants shall be placed at street and drive aisle intersections in preference to mid-block locations. Where on-street parking is allowed, hydrants should be placed in the shortest parkways between adjacent driveways, at corners and chokers where parking is not normally allowed, and in similar areas where impact to space available for parking and the potential for hydrants to be obstructed is minimized.
- 6) Hydrants and fire department connections should not be located where apparatus staged at these appurtenances would then encroach on minimum fire apparatus turning radii unless alternative routes are available. Hydrants shall not be placed in the "bulb" end of a cul-de-sac where apparatus staged at the hydrant would prevent the cul-de-sac from being used as a turnaround.
- D. Protection of Hydrants Where hydrants are located such that they are exposed to potential damage from vehicular collision, they shall be protected by curbs or bollards. See Attachment 25.
  - If vehicles can approach the hydrant from more than one direction, the hydrant shall be
    protected by four bollards of concrete-filled pipe four inches in diameter and mounted
    in concrete in a square around the hydrant. The bollards need to be spaced a minimum
    of three feet from the perimeter of the hydrant. The bollards must be placed so that

- their location does not impede access to or use of the hydrant. Two bollards may protect hydrants that can be approached from only one side.
- 2) Hydrants may not require protection by bollards if they are located such that the potential for collision is minimal or if they are sufficiently protected by a standard concrete curb at least six inches in height.

#### E. Hydrant Markers and Color –

- 1. Blue reflective pavement markers ("blue dots") shall be used to identify fire hydrant locations. Blue reflective markers used for any other purpose should be removed. See Attachment 26.
  - a) Two-way streets and roads Markers shall be placed six inches from the edge of the painted centerline or from the approximate center of streets without a painted centerline on the side nearest the hydrant.
  - b) Streets with left turn lanes at the intersection Markers shall be placed six inches from the edge of the painted white line on the side nearest the hydrant.
  - c) Streets with continuous two-way left turn lane Markers shall be placed six inches from the edge of the painted yellow line on the side nearest the fire hydrant.
  - d) Freeways Because of higher maintenance at these locations, markers shall be placed on the shoulder of the roadway one foot to the right of the painted edge line nearest the hydrant.

#### 2. Hydrant Color

- a) Private hydrants (hydrants separated from the city main by and located downstream from a backflow prevention device) shall be painted OSHA safety red or equivalent. A plan for underground piping serving private hydrants shall be submitted to the Redlands Fire Department for review and approval.
- b) Public hydrants shall be painted any color other than red as specified by the local water purveyor or city water department.

#### 9. Access to Structures

A. Hose pull – The dimension of 150 feet when used in relation to fire department access is commonly referred to as "hose pull distance." As the name implies, this is the maximum distance that firefighters can effectively pull a fire hose or carry other equipment to combat a fire. The hose pull distance is set at 150 feet due to a variety of factors, including standard hose lengths, weight of equipment, hydraulic properties, and accepted operational procedures. See Attachments 27 and 28.



- 1) Hose pull is measured along a path that simulates the route a firefighter may take to access all portions of the exterior of a structure from the nearest public road or fire lane. Under most circumstances, hose pull will not be a straight-line distance and should *not* be measured "as the crow flies."
- 2) All obstructions such as fences, planters, vegetation, and other structures must be considered when determining whether a building is accessible from a particular location on the fire access roadway. Topography may also affect the potential access route and any significant changes in elevation must be accounted for when measuring hose pull distances.



- 3) Hose pull measurements begin at a point in the street located 10 feet from the edge of the curb.
- B. Access walkways CFC 504.1 specifies the installation of approved access walkways from fire access roadways to exterior openings required by either the CBC or CFC. The City of Loma Linda may require the construction of such walkways depending upon particular site conditions or project parameters. These conditions include, but are not limited to, building use or occupancy, topography, vegetation, and surface conditions. Design professionals must carefully consider these issues when developing a project site.
  - 1) Access walkways must be provided to all required egress doors from a building, all firefighter access doorways in buildings with high-piled storage, and the area beneath each rescue window in R-1 occupancies, at a minimum. Access walkways will typically be required around the entire perimeter of a structure to facilitate control of a fire through any other available openings.
  - 2) Access walkways must be a minimum of five feet in width.



- 3) Access walkways shall consist of a surface that lends itself to safe use during building evacuation, firefighting, and rescue efforts. Solid surface walkways such as concrete or asphalt are preferable, though alternative surfaces such as decomposed granite (DG), gravel, or grass are permissible under certain conditions. Ground covers and shrubs that prevent or impede laddering of structures are not permitted to be planted on or adjacent to access walkways.
- 4) Where the grade itself presents a slip or fall hazard, an access walkway with a slip-resistant surface and/or stairway must be provided.
- 5) The type of material provided for the access walkway and/or other specifications shall be indicated on the fire master plan and are subject to approval by Redlands Fire.
- C. Path of travel obstructions Firefighter access to and emergency egress from required openings must remain free and unobstructed at all times. Architects, landscape designers, and facility managers must take care to ensure that fences, planters, and vegetation will not interfere with access and egress routes.

- 1) Fences Walls, fences, hedges, and similar obstructions may not be located within the area designated as an access walkway unless a gate through the obstruction equipped with an approved padlock or Knox box has been provided for firefighters to access the perimeter of the structure. If the wall or fence blocks travel from required egress openings to the public way or an open area at least 50 feet from the structure ("Access to a public way" per CBC 1028.5), a gate operable by the occupants evacuating the structure must be provided that allows unimpeded egress to the public way. Where doors in the path of emergency egress travel are required to be equipped with panic hardware, gates shall likewise be similarly equipped. These requirements may not apply to individual single family residences.
- 2) Vegetation As stated previously, certain types of ground cover and low-growing plants present an impediment to firefighting and rescue operations and are prohibited from being planted in the access walkway. In addition, taller vegetation such as shrubs and trees may not be located where they will, either when planted or upon maturation, present an obstruction to accessing rescue windows. Raised planter areas are not allowed to be used as rescue ladder access points.
- 3) Key boxes and key switches Knox devices shall be provided where necessary to ensure that immediate access for firefighting, rescue, and other emergency purposes is possible.
  - a) Location At a minimum, Knox devices shall be provided for the following locations:
    - gates along the paths of firefighter travel from the fire lane to all points along the perimeter of the structure;
    - gates to pool enclosures;
    - building gates or doors leading to interior courtyards containing rescue windows;
    - building gates or doors leading to exterior hallways providing access to residential units or tenant suites;
    - gates in exterior enclosures containing hazardous or combustible material storage;
    - exterior doors to rooms containing main alarm panels or annunciators;
    - doors and gates providing access to parking structures;
    - doors and gates to other areas identified by the fire department.

When approved by the LLFD, a frangible padlock or chain that can be cut with bolt cutters or a Knox padlock may be used in lieu of a key box for exterior hazardous or combustible materials storage areas. Manually operated vehicle or pedestrian access gates that are not commonly used or required to be openable from the egress side may also be provided with a frangible padlock or chain.

Knox boxes or switches shall be located adjacent to and clearly visible from the gate or door served. They shall be securely mounted to a wall or fence at a height of four to five feet above grade in a location that is easily accessible to firefighters

and, when required, police officers. Shared Knox devices shall meet the installation requirements of both the Loma Linda Fire and the police department unless otherwise approved by the applicable agency—refer to the local security or municipal ordinance for specific requirements. Where the potential for vandalism or tampering is significant, key boxes that are not submastered for police department use may be mounted higher than five feet with Loma Linda approval. Boxes and switches are not required to be electronically monitored; if they are, they shall not initiate an alarm signal that requires a response by the fire department.

- b) Key box Contents The key used to unlock the gate or door shall be kept in the key box. When the key unlocks more than the individual adjacent gate or door, a label or tag shall be attached to the key identifying the gates or doors it operates. Where multiple gates or doors are served by a single box, two or more copies of the key(s) are recommended so that a copy will be available to each engine company responding to the site.
- c) Electric Locks Electromagnetically or electromechanically locked pedestrian gates and doors shall be equipped either with a Knox box containing a key to open the lock or, if the door lock cannot be operated with a key from the exterior, a Knox key switch shall be provided adjacent to the door. Where key switches are provided, the door or gate lock shall remain disengaged until the key switch is returned to the "normal" closed or locked position.
- d) Vehicle gates See sections 5.E through 5.G for more information on requirements for Knox boxes and key switches serving vehicle gates across fire lanes.

# 10. Access during construction

Access and water supply during construction shall comply with CFC Chapter 33 and the provisions listed in this section and, where applicable, elsewhere in this guideline. Construction activities at job sites not complying with these requirements may be suspended at the discretion of the Redlands Fire inspector until a reasonable level of compliance is achieved.

At no time shall construction projects impair or obstruct existing fire access roadways or access to and operation of existing fire hydrants serving other structures. Should existing roadways or hydrants need to be moved or otherwise altered during the course of construction, the developer shall provide alternative access routes and other mitigation features to ensure adequate fire and life-safety protection. Such alternatives and features shall be submitted to Redlands Fire for review and approval prior to alteration of existing conditions.



A. Lumber drop inspection – an inspection shall be scheduled with a Redlands Fire inspector to verify that access roadways and operable hydrants have been provided for buildings under construction.

- 1) For buildings of Type IV and V construction (and non-combustible structures that may have a portion of the exterior walls, façade, or other building elements comprised of wood or other combustible material), a lumber drop inspection shall occur prior to bringing combustible building materials on site.
- 2) For other construction types (Type I, II, III) with exterior walls built of non-combustible materials, an inspection shall occur prior to commencing interior construction involving combustible materials (e.g., wooden mezzanines or partition walls, carpet, cabinetry or other woodwork, furniture, etc.). In concrete tilt-up and masonry buildings, wooden panelized roofing systems are exempt from this requirement.
- 3) An inspection shall occur prior to construction reaching 40 feet in height for buildings of any construction type that will have four or more floors when complete.
- 4) The street address of the site shall be prominently posted at each entrance. For projects on streets that do not have a name or street signs posted yet, the sign shall include the project name and tract/lot number.
- 5) Gates through construction fencing shall be equipped with a Knox padlock or frangible lock/chain.
- 6) When required by the Redlands Fire inspector, fire lanes shall be posted with "Fire Lane—No Parking" signs or no parking areas shall be otherwise identified to maintain them free of obstructions during construction.
- 7) Provisions shall be made to ensure that hydrants are not blocked by vehicles or obstructed by construction material or debris. A three-foot clear space shall be provided around the perimeter of the hydrant and no parking or similar obstructions shall be allowed along the adjacent road within 15 feet of the hydrant. Inoperable hydrants shall be bagged.
- B. Temporary Fire Access Roads Temporary access roads (construction roads that do not match the final location and configuration of permanent roads as approved on a Fire Master Plan) and temporary hydrants may be permitted for *single family residential model construction or a single detached custom home less than 5500 square feet in area* with the following conditions:
  - 1) Plans for temporary access shall be submitted to the Redlands Fire Department. Plans shall be drawn to scale and show permanent (existing) roadways, proposed temporary roadway locations, location of models, space dedicated to storage of construction materials, and parking for work crews and construction vehicles. The plans shall clearly state that they have been submitted for temporary access and hydrants.
  - 2) Plans shall be stamped and signed by a licensed civil engineer stating that the temporary access road can support 68,000 pounds of vehicle weight in all-weather conditions.



The road base material shall be over soil compacted to at least 90% and be mixed or topped with a suitable binding material to provide all-weather characteristics; road base alone does not satisfy this requirement.

- 3) Provide a parking plan for the construction site detailing how the fire lane no parking regulations will be enforced. Include a clause in the letter stating that "the job-site superintendent is responsible for informing the work crews of parking requirements and that the entire job-site is subject to shut-down by the Redlands Fire inspector if parking is in violation of fire lane posting." The letter shall be written on company letterhead and scanned onto the plan.
- 4) Aboveground invasion lines are acceptable for water supply.
  - a) Provide detail drawings detailing how the line will be secured in place and protected from vehicular damage.
  - b) An invasion line may be run underground if the depth of bury can support the 68,000-pound weight of a fire apparatus.
  - c) The temporary water line must provide the required fire flow; calculations are required.
  - d) The pipe shall be listed for fire service.
  - e) Fire hydrants shall consist of a minimum 6" barrel with one 2-1/2" outlet and a 4" outlet. Note this on the plan.
- 5) All other access and water requirements shall apply (e.g., width, approach clearance, premises identification, locks, gates, barriers, etc.).
- 6) The approved plan for temporary access and water supply shall be available at the construction site prior to bringing combustible building materials on-site.
- 7) An inspection by Redlands Fire inspector is required to verify adherence to the approved plan prior to bringing combustible materials on-site.
- C. Phased access Incremental installation of permanent access roadways as shown on a fire master plan may be permissible for commercial and residential developments. If phased installation is anticipated, the site superintendent or designee shall review the installation process with a Redlands Fire inspector during the lumber drop inspection or preconstruction meeting. Depending on the complexity of the installation, size of the project, and other project-specific factors, the inspector may allow phased installation to proceed immediately or may first require that all or some of the following items are satisfied:
  - 1) Plans for phased access shall be submitted to the Redlands Fire Department, either as part of the original access plan submittal or as a revision to an approved fire access

plan. Plans shall be drawn to scale and demonstrate that all access and water requirements are met during all phases of construction and that approval of one phase does not compromise or complicate completion of the subsequent phases. Plans shall show for each phase of construction:

- The extent of building construction
- Location of operable hydrants serving all buildings under construction
- The location of construction fencing, barriers, and vehicle access gates
- The location of all temporary or permanent "Fire Lane—No Parking" signs
- Equipment/materiel staging locations
- Worker parking areas (see item "4" below)
- 2) Phasing plans shall be stamped and signed by a licensed civil engineer stating that the access road can support 68,000 pounds of vehicle weight in all-weather conditions. The road base material shall be over soil compacted to at least 90% and be mixed or topped with a suitable binding material to provide all-weather characteristics; road base alone does not satisfy this requirement. The final road section less the final lift of asphalt topping may be acceptable if certified by the engineer.
- 3) The phasing plan shall identify any anticipated areas where fire department access roadways may be temporarily inaccessible due to trenching, slurry coating, striping, or other construction activities after they have been installed and inspected. The plan shall indicate the anticipated period of impairment and include provisions for providing plating over trenches and alternative access routes, notification to the fire department, and/or other forms of mitigation when such roadways are impaired.
- 4) Provide a parking plan for the construction site detailing how the fire lane no parking regulations will be enforced. Include a clause stating that "the job-site superintendent is responsible for informing the work crews of parking requirements and that the entire job-site is subject to shutdown by the Redlands Fire inspector if parking is in violation of fire lane posting."
- 5) The approved phasing plan shall be available at the construction site prior to bringing combustible building materials on-site. A lumber drop inspection by a Redlands Fire inspector will be required prior to the commencement of each phase.
- 6) All other access and water requirements shall apply (e.g., width, approach clearance, premises identification, locks, gates, barriers, etc.).

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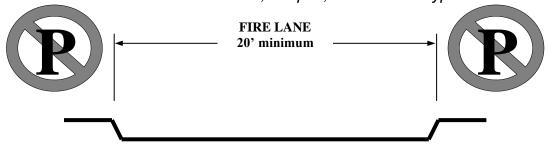
# Fire Department Access & Water Plan Submittal Checklist <a href="PROJECT INFORMATION">PROJECT INFORMATION</a>

Scope of project is clearly defined on the plan?	Yes	
Conditional Use Permit conditions included with submittal?		□ N/A (CUP was not required by city)
Tract/Tentative Tract/Parcel Map Number has been provided?		
Standard Loma Linda fire master plan notes are included?	☐ Yes	
Building area, construction, occupancy, sprinklers noted on plan?	☐ Yes	
Allowable area calculation provided on plan?	☐ Yes	□ N/A (Building less than 6000 sq.ft.)
AM&M request letter scanned onto plan?	☐ Yes	☐ N/A (No alternate methods proposed)
Sheets not relevant to fire master plan removed from plan set?	☐ Yes	
Access/hydrant phasing plan provided?	☐ Yes	☐ N/A (No phasing of access/hydrant installation)
WATER AND HYDRANTS		
Water availability form completed and provided?	☐ Yes	□No
All hydrants within 400' of the site are shown on plan?	☐ Yes	
Are hydrants provided/spaced per CFC Appendix C?	☐ Yes	
ACCESS AND ROADWAYS		
Extent of the access roadway is clearly shown on the plan?	□Yes	_
Turning radii and width (incl. road sections) shown on the plan?	☐ Yes	
Exterior of all structures within 150' hose pull distance?	☐ Yes	☐ No (Mitigation proposed via AM&M)
Engineer's certification provided for new paving?	☐ Yes	☐ N/A (No new paving)
Walkable surface provided to required openings?	☐ Yes	
Road and walkway grades >10% shown on plan?	☐ Yes	□ N/A (Grade <10%)
FIRE LANE IDENTIFICATION		
Red curbs are identified with bold or dashed lines?	☐ Yes	□ N/A (Signs provided)
Location of each "Fire Lane—No Parking" sign shown?	☐ Yes	☐ N/A (Red curbs provided)
Fire lane entrance sign provided at each vehicle entrance?	☐ Yes	
Detail drawings of red curbs/"No Parking"/entrance signs shown?	☐ Yes	
GATES AND OBSTRUCTIONS		
Are all gates, fences, and planters shown?	☐ Yes	
Are vehicle gates identified as manual or electric?	☐ Yes	☐ N/A (No gates)
Manual vehicle gates have "No Parking" sign noted?	☐ Yes	☐ N/A (No manual gates)
Knox boxes/locks/switches are noted on plans?	☐ Yes	□ N/A (No gates)
Loma Linda gate notes/specifications included on plan?	☐ Yes	☐ N/A (No gates)
Knox form completed?	☐ Yes	□ N/A (No gates)
OTHER REQUIREMENTS		
Premises ID/address monument location shown on plan?	☐ Yes	☐ N/A (Single family homes)
Trash enclosures are located at least 5' from buildings?	☐ Yes	☐ No (Enclosures are sprinklered)
Two entry points provided for 150 or more residences?	☐ Yes	☐ N/A (Non-residential project)
Parking enforcement letter provided?	☐ Yes	□ N/A (Public streets only)

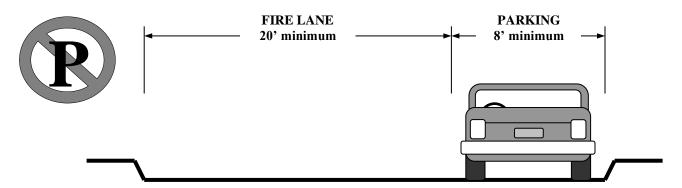
NOTE: This is only a listing of basic fire master plan submittal requirements. Other information or requirements may be necessary depending on conditions specific to each project.

# **Minimum Road Widths**

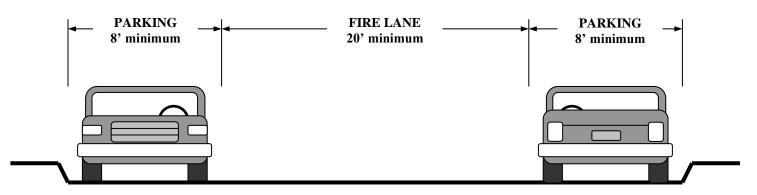
Measured from top face of curb to top face of curb for standard vertical curbs or flow line to flow line for rolled, ramped, or other curb types.



ROADWAY LESS THAN 28'
Parking prohibited.
Roadway is required to be posted as a fire lane.

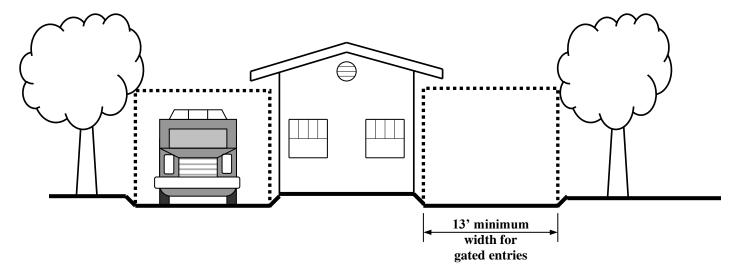


ROADWAY AT LEAST 28' BUT LESS THAN 36'
Parking permitted on one side only.
Roadway is required to be posted as a fire lane.



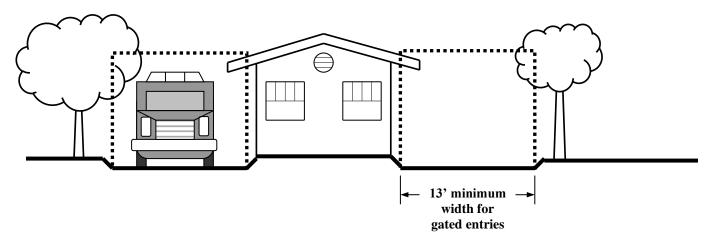
# Fire Apparatus Access Roadway Clearance For Typical Gated Community Guard House

Fire lane width reductions detailed below are applicable only to the area immediately adjacent to the guard house or gate. Roads leading up to and beyond the guard house or gate shall meet standard fire lane width requirements prescribed in Section 2.A.5 of this guideline.



#### PROPER CLEARANCE PROVIDED

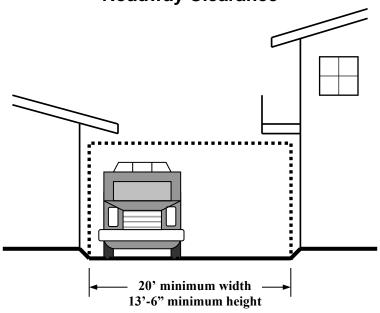
Eaves and vegetation do not encroach upon the 13'-wide by 13'-6" high minimum dimensions allowed for the fire access roadway next to the guard house.



#### **INSUFFICIENT CLEARANCE**

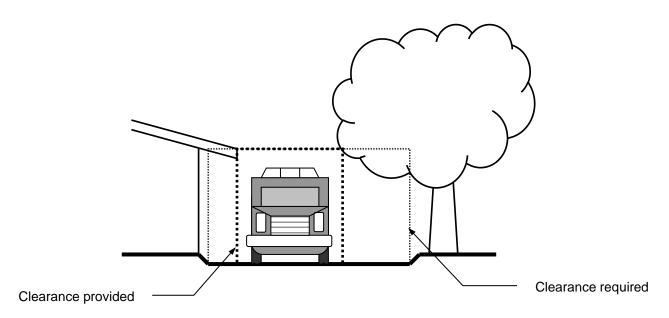
While a 13'-wide access roadway is provided next to the guard house, eaves and vegetation encroach upon the minimum clear height of the fire lane.

# Fire Apparatus Access Roadway Clearance



#### PROPER CLEARANCE PROVIDED

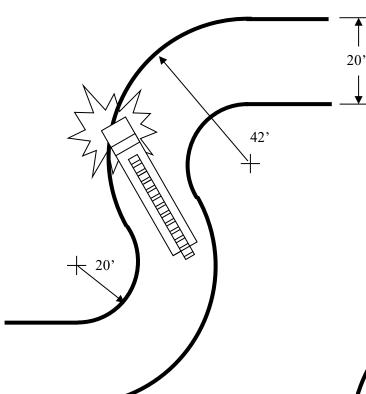
Eaves, balconies, and other obstructions do not encroach upon the 20' wide by 13'-6" high fire access roadway envelope.



#### **INSUFFICIENT CLEARANCE**

A 20'-wide roadway has been provided, but eaves and vegetation effectively reduce the clear dimensions below required minimums.

# "S" Curves

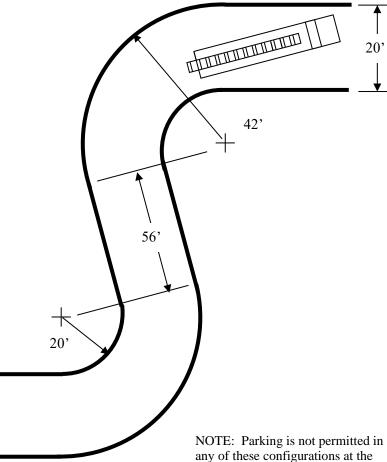


#### **NOT PERMITTED**

Loma Linda fire apparatus are unable to negotiate tight "S" curves, such as the one shown to the left.

# **PERMITTED**

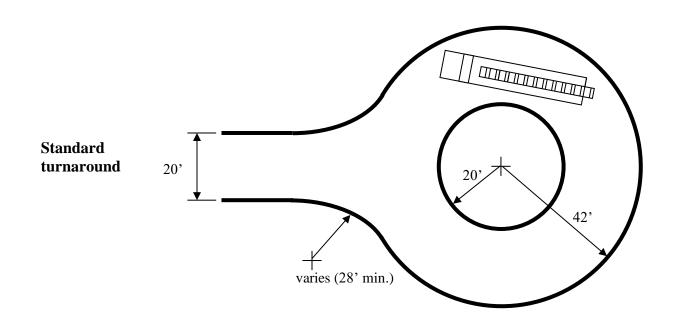
A 56' straight leg is required between the turns in a compound curve to provide sufficient recovery distance for the apparatus. Alternatively, the length of the straight leg may be reduced if the road width and/or turning radii are increased to allow for a wider turn.

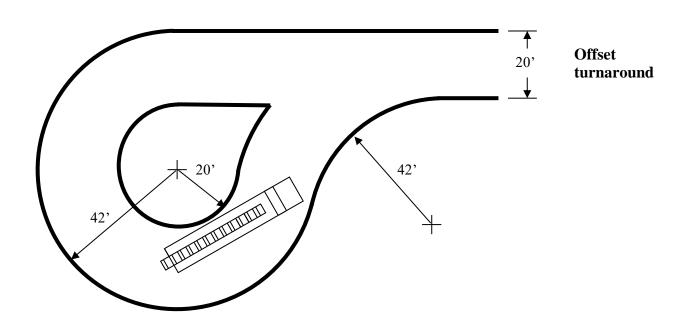


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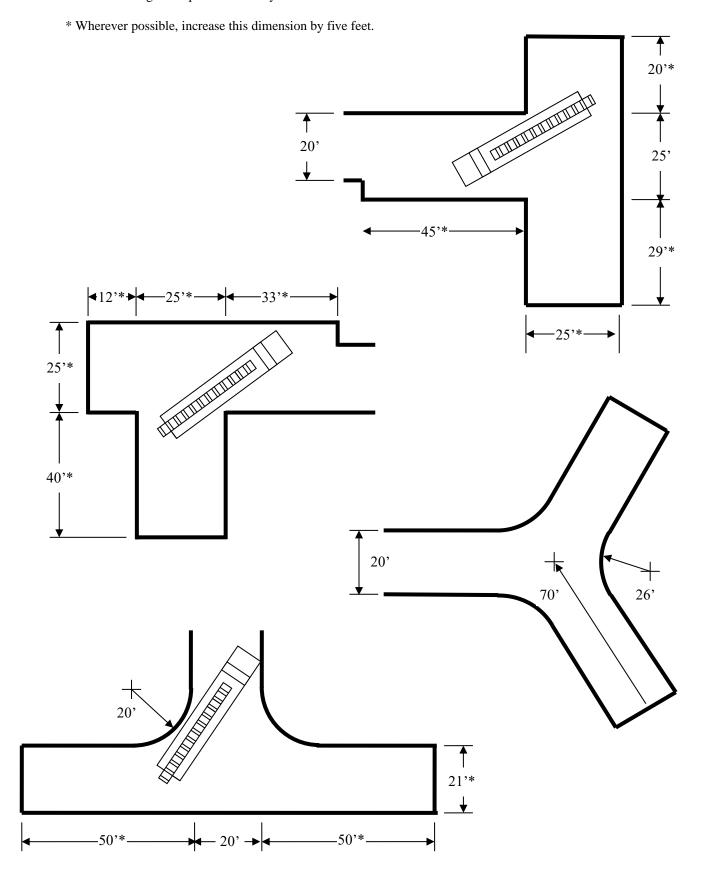
# **ATTACHMENT 6**Minimum Turnaround and Hammerhead Dimensions

NOTE: Parking is not permitted in these turnarounds at the dimensions shown.





NOTE: Parking is not permitted in any of these hammerheads at the dimensions shown.

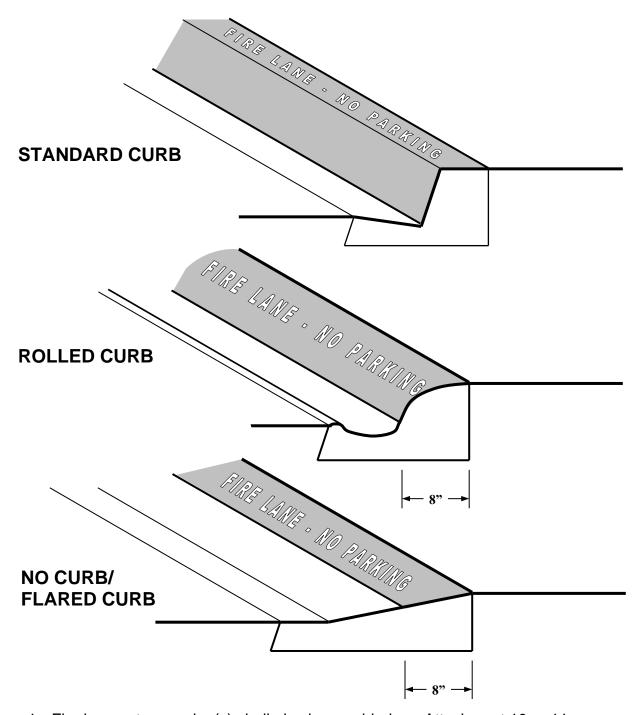


# **Fire Lane Parking Violations**

The California Fire Code (CFC) and California Vehicle Code (CVC) specify rules of the road for stopping, standing, and parking in fire lanes or near fire hydrants.

- A. Section 22500.1 states that no person shall stop, park, or leave standing any vehicle whether attended or unattended, in any location designated as a fire lane by the Loma Linda Fire Department except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a peace officer or official traffic control device. Vehicles illegally parked in a fire lane may be towed per CVC 22953(b).
- B. There shall be no parking of any vehicles other than fire department vehicles within 15 feet of either side of a fire hydrant in accordance with CVC 22514(c). Such vehicles may be towed per CVC 22651(e).
- C. CVC 22658(a) permits the owner or person in lawful possession of any private property, subsequent to notifying local law enforcement, to cause the removal of a vehicle parked on such property to the nearest public garage, if:
  - 1) A sign is displayed in plain view at all entrances to the property specifying:
    - a) The ordinance prohibiting public parking, and
    - b) A notation indicating that vehicles will be removed at the owner's expense, and
    - c) The telephone number of the local traffic law enforcement agency, or
  - 2) The lot or parcel upon which the vehicle is parked has a single-family dwelling.
- D. CFC 503.4 states that the required width of a fire apparatus access road shall not be obstructed in any manner, including parking of vehicles. Minimum required widths and clearances shall be maintained at all times.
- E. CFC 507.5.4 states that vehicles and other obstructions shall not be placed or kept near fire hydrants, fire department inlet connections or fire-protection system control valves in a manner that would prevent such equipment or fire hydrants from being immediately discernible. The fire department shall not be deterred or hindered from gaining immediate access to fire-protection equipment or hydrants.

# Fire Lane Identification - Red Curbs



- 1. Fire lane entrance sign(s) shall also be provided per Attachment 10 or 11.
- 2. Curbs shall be painted OSHA safety red.
- 3. "FIRE LANE NO PARKING" shall be painted on top of curb in 3" white lettering at a spacing of 30' on center or portion thereof.

# Specifications for Fire Lane <u>Entrance</u> Signs

To be used only at *vehicle entry points* to areas that contain "Fire Lane—No Parking" signs or red curbs

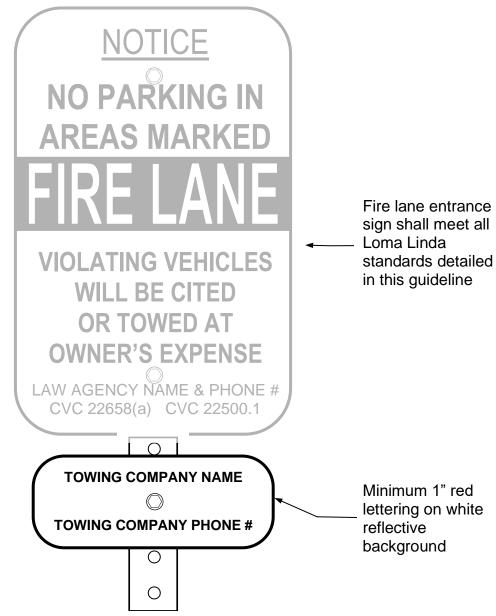


All sign and lettering dimensions shown are minimums. "Arial Narrow" font used is used in sample above though other legible sans-serif fonts may be acceptable.

This sign shall be posted at all vehicle entrances to areas marked with either red curbs or fire lane "No Parking" signs. Signs shall be securely mounted facing the direction of travel and clearly visible to oncoming traffic entering the designated area. Signs shall be made of durable material and installed per Attachments 13 and 14.

Towing company contact information is required for all properties with a standing written agreement for services with a towing company per the California Vehicle Code.

Specifications for Alternate Location of Towing Company Information



Towing company contact information is required for all properties with a standing written agreement for services with a towing company per the California Vehicle Code.

To facilitate periodic changes in towing company contracts, the towing company contact information may be posted on a separate sign mounted directly below the fire lane entrance sign instead of on the entrance sign itself. The method of attachment to the post shall not obscure the wording on either sign.

# Specifications for Fire Lane No Parking Signs



All sign and lettering dimensions shown are *minimums*. "Arial Narrow" font used is used in sample above though other legible sans-serif fonts may be acceptable.

Signs shall be securely mounted facing the direction of travel and clearly visible to oncoming traffic entering the designated area. Signs shall be made of durable material and installed per Attachments 13 and 14.

# **ATTACHMENT 12 Specifications for Cul-de-Sac** Fire Lane No Parking Signs 12" 2" bold, condensed white reflective lettering on red background **PARKING** 2" bold, condensed red lettering on white reflective IN CUL-DE-SAC 18" background 1-3/8" bold, condensed red lettering on white reflective background 1" red lettering on OWNER'S EXPENSE white reflective background CVC 22500.1, 22658(a) Minimum 2" red lettering on white reflective

background; provide
"BEGIN" sign at entry into
cul-de-sac and "END" sign
when leaving cul-de-sac.
"BEGIN" or "END" sign
may be omitted where culde-sac is the continuation
of a no parking zone on

streets <36' wide.

All sign and lettering dimensions shown are *minimums*. "Arial Narrow" font used is used in sample above though other legible sans-serif fonts may be acceptable.

Signs shall be securely mounted facing the direction of travel and clearly visible to oncoming traffic entering the designated area. Signs shall be made of durable material and installed per Attachments 13 and 14.

Specifications for Alternative Fire Lane No Parking Signs

12"

# NO PARKING BEYOND THIS POINT EXCEPT IN DESIGNATED STALLS VIOLATING VEHICLES WILL BE CITED OR TOWED AT OWNER'S EXPENSE CVC 22500.1, 22658(a)

Additional verbiage shall be 1" bold, condensed red lettering on white reflective background. Where parking stalls are not present, sign may omit "except in designated stalls" and sign height may be reduced to 18".

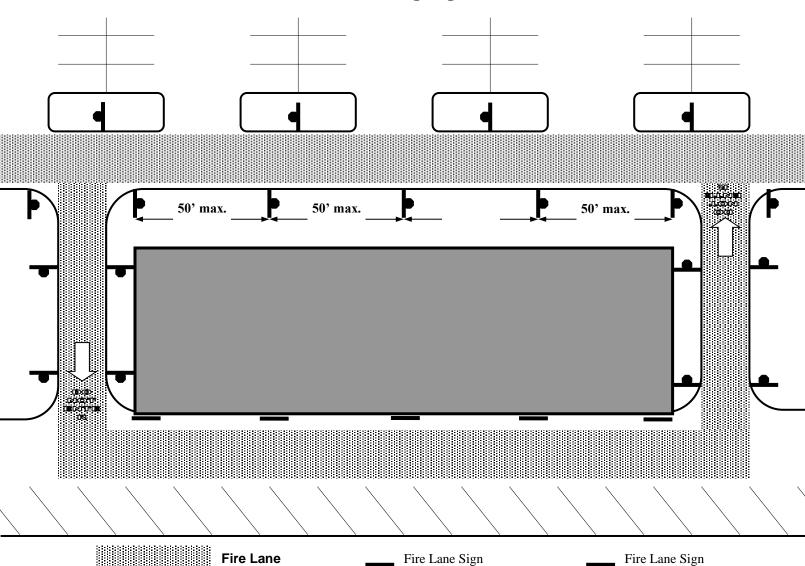
Specifications for the rest of the sign shall match those of standard fire lane no parking signs.

All sign and lettering dimensions shown are *minimums*. "Arial Narrow" font used is used in sample above though other legible sans-serif fonts may be acceptable.

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Signs shall be securely mounted facing the direction of travel and clearly visible to oncoming traffic entering the designated area. Signs shall be made of durable material and installed per Attachments 13 and 14.

## **Fire Lane No Parking Sign Locations**



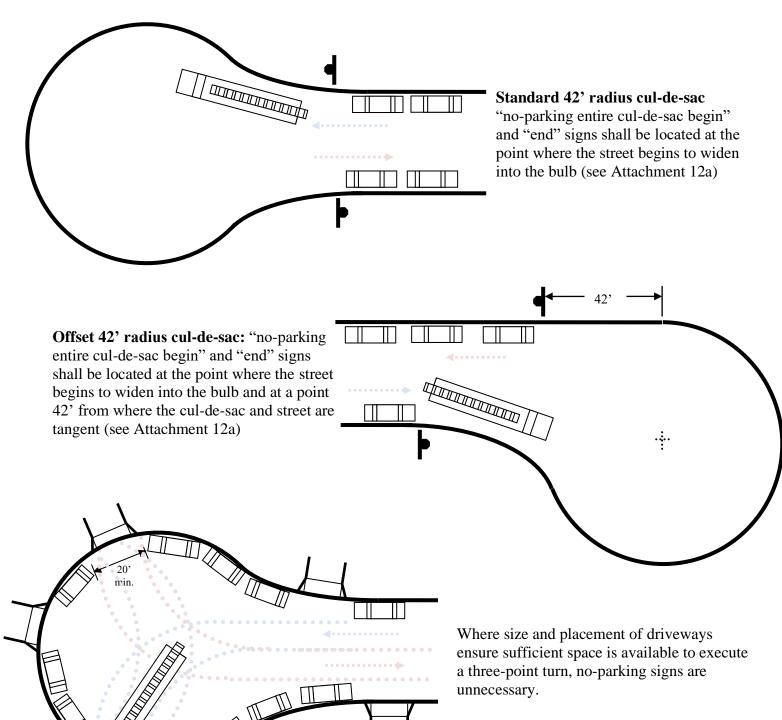
Signs are required within 3' of the end of each designated fire lane and spaced a maximum of 50' along the entire designated lane. One sign is required for each island adjacent to the fire lane.

(post mounted)

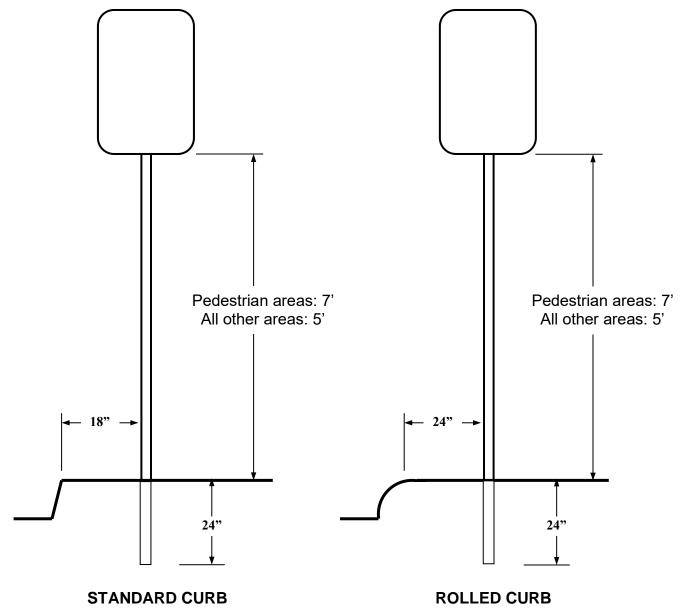
(wall mounted)

Signs shall be securely mounted facing the direction of travel and clearly visible to oncoming traffic entering the designated area. Signs shall be made of durable material and installed per Attachment 14. Where sign posts are not practical, signs may be mounted on a wall or fence. Loma Linda inspectors will determine if additional signs or sign locations are required.

# Fire Lane No Parking Sign Locations for Cul-de-sacs



# Mounting Specifications for Fire Lane Entrance and No Parking Signs

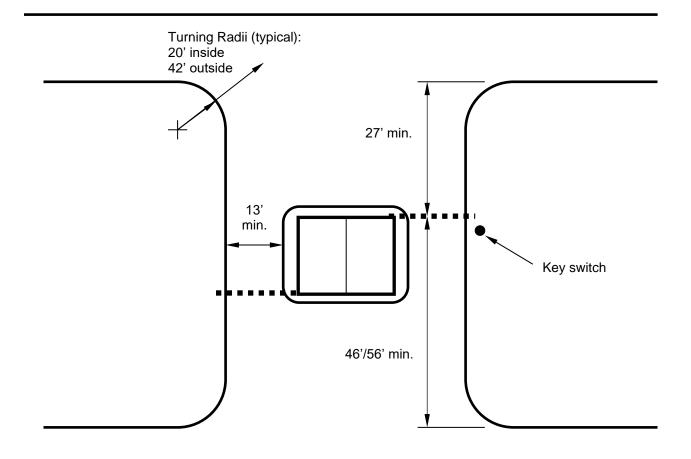


Signs shall be mounted facing the direction of vehicular travel.

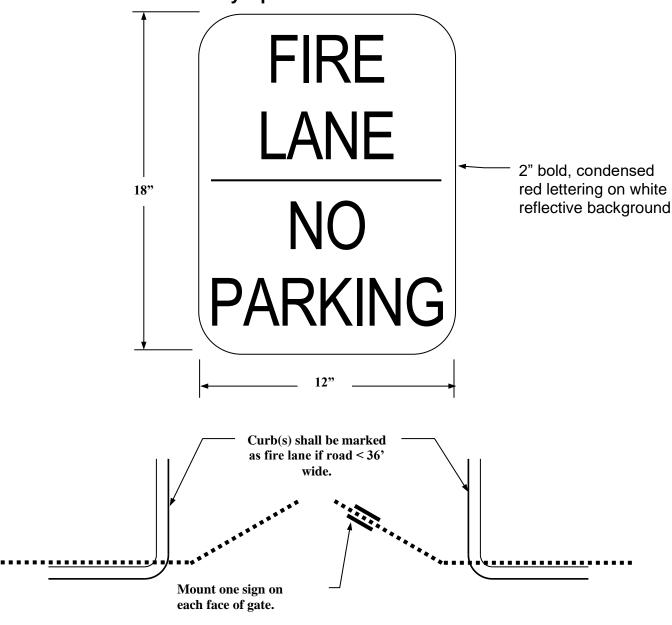
Signs may be mounted on existing posts or buildings where the centerline of the sign is no more than 24" from the edge of the roadway.

Depth of bury shall be a *minimum* of 24" and rebar, a concrete footing, or another method to prevent removal of the sign is recommended. Footings for signs located in the public right-of-way shall be per the local jurisdiction's requirements.

## **Minimum Gate Setbacks**



# Specifications for "Fire Lane - No Parking" Signs for Manually Operated Gates and Barriers

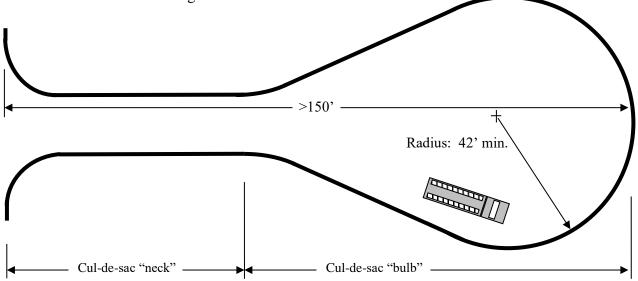


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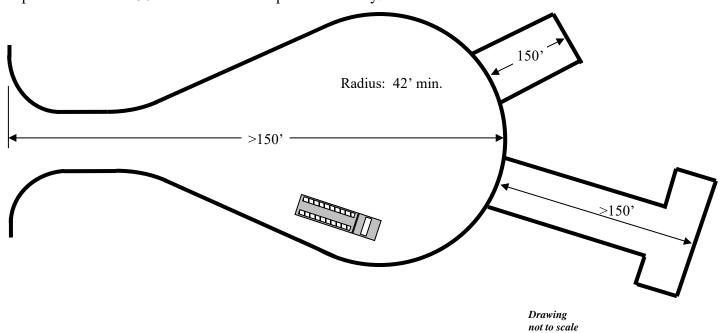
"Fire Lane—No Parking" sign shown in Attachment 12 may be used as an alternative. Signs shall be securely mounted on the front and back face of the gate clearly visible to traffic entering the designated area. Signs shall be made of a durable material.

#### **Cul-de-sacs and Dead-end Roadways**

1) Cul-de-sac streets greater than 150 feet in length that are required fire lanes shall be provided with a 42-foot minimum turning radius in the bulb.



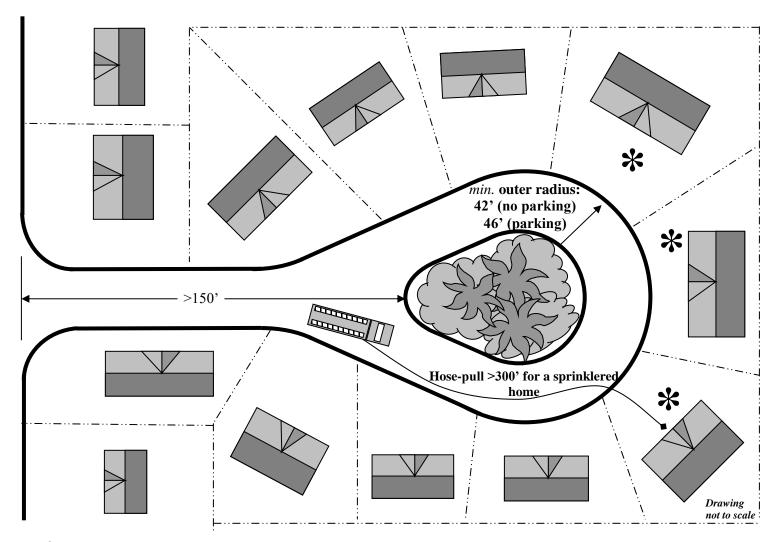
2) Where a spur road or private driveway that is a required fire lane is accessed via the cul-de-sac road, the driveway or spur shall be no more than 150' in length unless an approved turnaround has been provided within 150' of the end of the spur or driveway.



## Cul-de-sacs Longer than 150' with Islands

Cul-de-sac streets greater than 150 feet in length may contain a center island provided that:

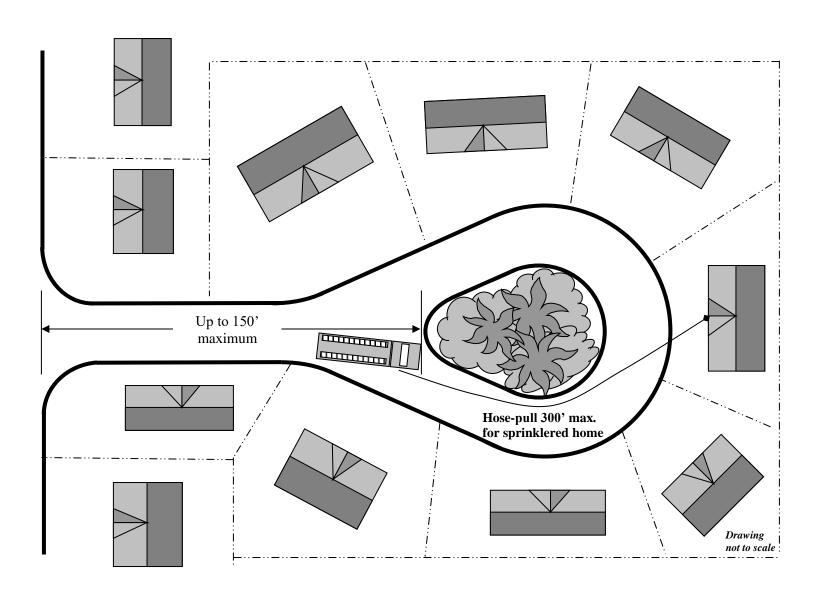
- 1) A minimum 28-foot-wide drive lane with an adequate inside turning radius is provided, and
- 2) The island is designated a no parking area with red curbs or signs, and
- 3) Island landscaping will not intrude into the drive lane, and
- 4) AN NFPA 13-D sprinkler system with full protection of the attic space(s) is installed in the homes where hose-pull requirements can only be satisfied by taking access from the drive lane beyond the beginning of the island.



Attic protection required where hose-pull distance from the portion of the cul-de-sac preceding the island to the front entry of a sprinklered home exceeds 300'. For existing unsprinklered homes, hose pull may not exceed 150' to the most remote point around the perimeter of the home or sprinklers with attic protection will be required.

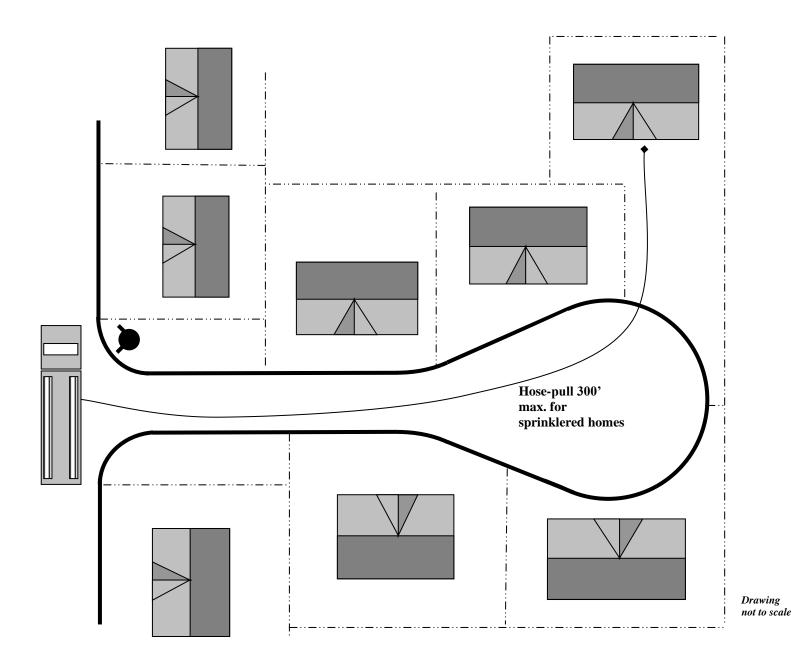
# Cul-de-sacs up to 150' with Islands

Access to the homes will be measured along an approved route around the island and any other obstructions in the path of travel from the point where the island begins to impede fire apparatus. If hose-pull to the main entry of a sprinklered home exceeds 300' (or 150' to the most remote point around the perimeter for unsprinklered homes), the portion of the bulb beyond the island shall be designed as a fire lane or other mitigating features shall be provided. If all homes are in access from the area preceding the island, the portion of the bulb beyond the island is not required to comply with Loma Linda fire access roadway requirements. The neck and portion of the bulb preceding the island shall meet all other fire lane requirements prescribed in this guideline if it is a required fire lane.



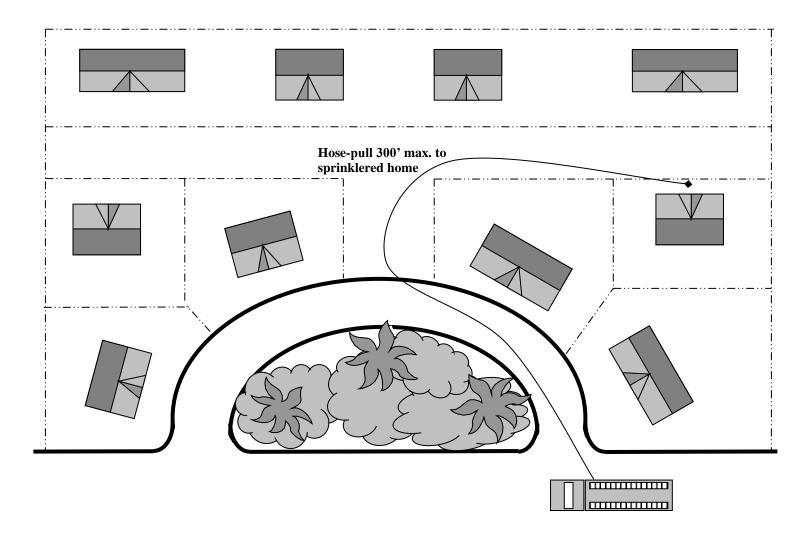
#### **Short Cul-de-sacs and Dead-end Roads**

If hose-pull distance can be satisfied without fire apparatus entering the cul-de-sac or dead-end road, and the road is not otherwise required to be a fire lane as determined by the fire code official, the street is not required to have a bulb or hammerhead with minimum Loma Linda turning radii or meet other standard fire lane requirements.



# **Eyebrows**

If the eyebrow does not meet 's minimum turning radius and width requirements, fire department access will be measured from the nearest available fire lane around the island and any other obstructions. If hose-pull to the main entry of a sprinklered home exceeds 300' (or 150' to the most remote point around the perimeter for unsprinklered homes), the eyebrow shall be designed as a fire lane or other mitigating features shall be provided.



# CFC TABLE B105.1: Minimum Required Fire Flow and Flow Duration for Buildings as adopted by the City of Redlands

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0-22,700	FLOW DURATIO	FIRE-FLOW CALCULATION AREA (square feet) FIRE FLOW					
22,701-30,200	(hours)	(gallons per minute) <sup>b</sup>	Type V-B <sup>a</sup>	Type IIB and IIIBa	Type IV and V-A <sup>a</sup>	Type IIA and IIIAa	Type IA and IBa
30,201-36,700		1,500	0-3,600	0-5,900	0-8,200	0-12,700	0-22,700
38,701-48,300		1,750	3,601-4,800	5,901-7,900	8,201-10,900	12,701-17,000	22,701-30,200
38,701-48,300	2	2,000	4,801-6,200	7,901-9,800	10,901-12,900	17,001-21,800	30,201-38,700
59,001-70,900   33,201-39,700   21,301-25,500   15,401-18,400   9,401-11,300   2,750	2	2,250	6,201-7,700	9,801-12,600	12,901-17,400	21,801-24,200	38,701-48,300
70,901-83,700   39,701-47,100   25,501-30,100   18,401-21,800   11,301-13,400   3,000   83,701-97,700   47,101-54,900   30,101-35,200   21,801-25,900   13,401-15,600   3,250   97,701-112,700   54,901-63,400   35,201-40,600   25,901-29,300   15,601-18,000   3,500   112,701-128,700   63,401-72,400   40,601-46,400   29,301-33,500   18,001-20,600   3,750   128,701-145,900   72,401-82,100   46,401-52,500   33,501-37,900   20,601-23,300   4,000   42,501-43,400   92,401-103,100   59,101-66,000   42,701-47,700   26,301-29,300   4,500   4,500   42,01-183,400   92,401-103,100   59,101-66,000   42,701-47,700   26,301-29,300   4,500   4,500   43,401-225,200   114,601-126,700   73,301-81,100   53,001-58,600   32,601-36,000   5,000   225,201-247,700   126,701-139,400   81,101-89,200   58,601-65,400   36,001-39,600   5,250   247,701-271,200   139,401-152,600   89,201-97,700   65,401-70,600   39,601-43,400   5,750   271,201-295,900   152,601-166,500   97,701-106,500   70,601-70,000   43,401-47,400   5,750   295,901-Greater   166,501-Greater   106,501-115,800   97,001-83,700   47,401-51,500   6,000   42,501-43,400   5,750   43,401-47,400   5,750   44,501-47,400		2,500	7,701-9,400	12,601-15,400	17,401-21,300	24,201-33,200	48,301-59,000
83,701-97,700		2,750	9,401-11,300	15,401-18,400	21,301-25,500	33,201-39,700	59,001-70,900
97,701-112,700		3,000	11,301-13,400	18,401-21,800	25,501-30,100	39,701-47,100	70,901-83,700
97,701-112,700	2	3,250	13,401-15,600	21,801-25,900	30,101-35,200	47,101-54,900	83,701-97,700
128,701-145,900	3	3,500	15,601-18,000	25,901-29,300	35,201-40,600	54,901-63,400	97,701-112,700
145,901-164,200         82,101-92,400         52,501-59,100         37,901-42,700         23,301-26,300         4,250           164,201-183,400         92,401-103,100         59,101-66,000         42,701-47,700         26,301-29,300         4,500           183,401-203,700         103,101-114,600         66,001-73,300         47,701-53,000         29,301-32,600         4,750           203,701-225,200         114,601-126,700         73,301-81,100         53,001-58,600         32,601-36,000         5,000           225,201-247,700         126,701-139,400         81,101-89,200         58,601-65,400         36,001-39,600         5,250           247,701-271,200         139,401-152,600         89,201-97,700         65,401-70,600         39,601-43,400         5,500           271,201-295,900         152,601-166,500         97,701-106,500         70,601-77,000         43,401-47,400         5,750           295,901-Greater         166,501-Greater         106,501-115,800         77,001-83,700         47,401-51,500         6,000           —         —         115,801-125,500         83,701-90,600         51,501-55,700         6,250           —         —         125,501-135,500         90,601-97,900         55,701-60,200         6,500           —         —         135,501-145,800		3,750	18,001-20,600	29,301-33,500	40,601-46,400	63,401-72,400	112,701-128,700
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183,401-203,700       103,101-114,600       66,001-73,300       47,701-53,000       29,301-32,600       4,750         203,701-225,200       114,601-126,700       73,301-81,100       53,001-58,600       32,601-36,000       5,000         225,201-247,700       126,701-139,400       81,101-89,200       58,601-65,400       36,001-39,600       5,250         247,701-271,200       139,401-152,600       89,201-97,700       65,401-70,600       39,601-43,400       5,500         271,201-295,900       152,601-166,500       97,701-106,500       70,601-77,000       43,401-47,400       5,750         295,901-Greater       166,501-Greater       106,501-115,800       77,001-83,700       47,401-51,500       6,000         —       —       115,801-125,500       83,701-90,600       51,501-55,700       6,250         —       —       125,501-135,500       90,601-97,900       55,701-60,200       6,500         —       —       135,501-145,800       97,901-106,800       60,201-64,800       6,750         —       —       145,801-156,700       106,801-113,200       64,801-69,600       7,000         —       —       156,701-167,900       113,201-121,300       69,601-74,600       7,500         —       —       167,901-179,400		4,250	23,301-26,300	37,901-42,700	52,501-59,100	82,101-92,400	145,901-164,200
203,701-225,200		4,500	26,301-29,300	42,701-47,700	59,101-66,000	92,401-103,100	164,201-183,400
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247,701-271,200       139,401-152,600       89,201-97,700       65,401-70,600       39,601-43,400       5,500         271,201-295,900       152,601-166,500       97,701-106,500       70,601-77,000       43,401-47,400       5,750         295,901-Greater       166,501-Greater       106,501-115,800       77,001-83,700       47,401-51,500       6,000         —       —       115,801-125,500       83,701-90,600       51,501-55,700       6,250         —       —       125,501-135,500       90,601-97,900       55,701-60,200       6,500         —       —       135,501-145,800       97,901-106,800       60,201-64,800       6,750         —       —       145,801-156,700       106,801-113,200       64,801-69,600       7,000         —       —       156,701-167,900       113,201-121,300       69,601-74,600       7,250         —       —       167,901-179,400       121,301-129,600       74,601-79,800       7,500         —       —       179,401-191,400       129,601-138,300       79,801-85,100       7,750		5,000	32,601-36,000	53,001-58,600	73,301-81,100	114,601-126,700	203,701-225,200
271,201-295,900         152,601-166,500         97,701-106,500         70,601-77,000         43,401-47,400         5,750           295,901-Greater         166,501-Greater         106,501-115,800         77,001-83,700         47,401-51,500         6,000         4           —         —         115,801-125,500         83,701-90,600         51,501-55,700         6,250           —         —         125,501-135,500         90,601-97,900         55,701-60,200         6,500           —         —         135,501-145,800         97,901-106,800         60,201-64,800         6,750           —         —         145,801-156,700         106,801-113,200         64,801-69,600         7,000           —         —         156,701-167,900         113,201-121,300         69,601-74,600         7,250           —         —         167,901-179,400         121,301-129,600         74,601-79,800         7,500           —         —         179,401-191,400         129,601-138,300         79,801-85,100         7,750		5,250	36,001-39,600	58,601-65,400	81,101-89,200	126,701-139,400	225,201-247,700
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—     —     125,501-135,500     90,601-97,900     55,701-60,200     6,500       —     —     135,501-145,800     97,901-106,800     60,201-64,800     6,750       —     —     145,801-156,700     106,801-113,200     64,801-69,600     7,000       —     —     156,701-167,900     113,201-121,300     69,601-74,600     7,250       —     —     167,901-179,400     121,301-129,600     74,601-79,800     7,500       —     —     179,401-191,400     129,601-138,300     79,801-85,100     7,750	4	6,000	47,401-51,500	77,001-83,700	106,501-115,800	166,501-Greater	295,901-Greater
—     —     135,501-145,800     97,901-106,800     60,201-64,800     6,750       —     —     145,801-156,700     106,801-113,200     64,801-69,600     7,000       —     —     156,701-167,900     113,201-121,300     69,601-74,600     7,250       —     —     167,901-179,400     121,301-129,600     74,601-79,800     7,500       —     —     179,401-191,400     129,601-138,300     79,801-85,100     7,750		6,250	51,501-55,700	83,701-90,600	115,801-125,500	_	_
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—     167,901-179,400     121,301-129,600     74,601-79,800     7,500       —     179,401-191,400     129,601-138,300     79,801-85,100     7,750		7,000	64,801-69,600	106,801-113,200	145,801-156,700	_	_
—     179,401-191,400     129,601-138,300     79,801-85,100     7,750		7,250	69,601-74,600	113,201-121,300	156,701-167,900	_	_
		7,500	74,601-79,800	121,301-129,600	167,901-179,400	_	_
— — 191,401-Greater 138,301-Greater 85,101-Greater 8,000		7,750	79,801-85,100	129,601-138,300	179,401-191,400	_	_
		8,000	85,101-Greater	138,301-Greater	191,401-Greater	_	_

For SI: 1 square foot = 0.0929 m², 1 gallon per minute = 3.785 L/m, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa.

a. Types of construction are based on the California Building Code.

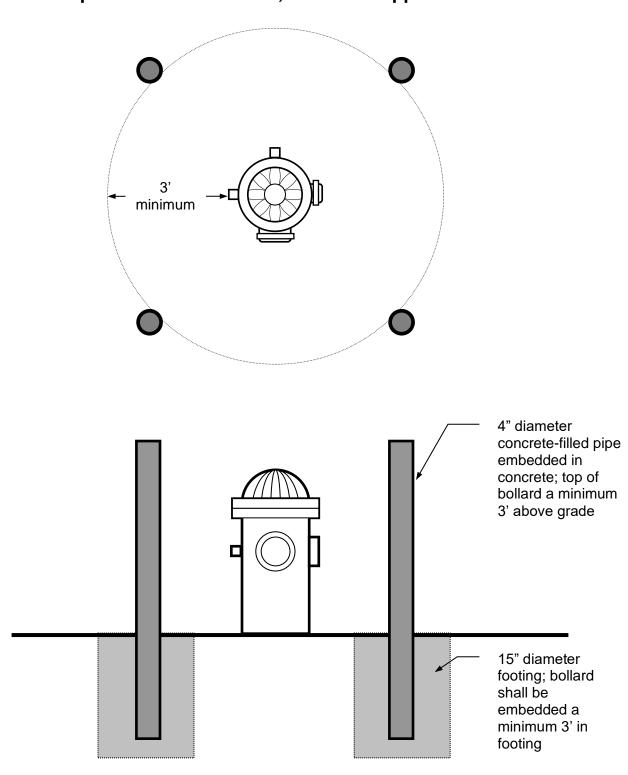
b. Measured at 20 psi residual pressure.

# CFC TABLE C102.1: Hydrant Quantity and Spacing as adopted by the City of Redlands

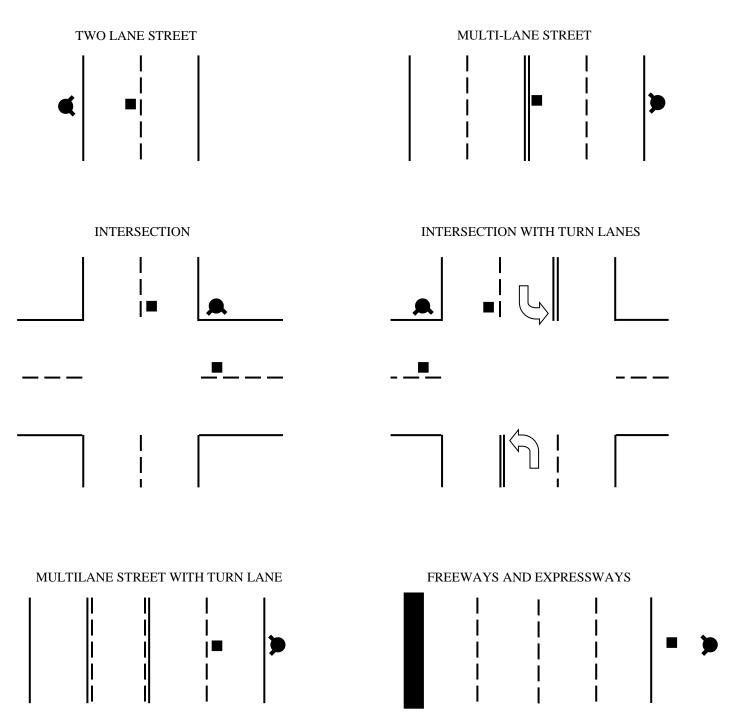
FLOW REQUIREMENT from Table B105.1	Minimum # of Hydrants	Average Hydrant Spacing (feet) 1, 2, 3	Maximum Distance to Hydrant (feet) 4, 6
up to 1750	1	500	250
1751-2250	2	450	225
2251-2500	3	450	225
2501-3000	3	400	225
3001-4000	4	350	210
4001-5000	5	300	180
5001-5500	6	300	180
5501-6000	6	250	150
6001-7000	7	250	150
7001+	8 or more 5	200	120

- A. Reduce by 100 feet for dead-end streets or roads.
- B. Where streets are provided with median dividers which can be crossed by fire fighters pulling hose lines, or where arterials streets are provided with four or more traffic lanes and have a traffic count of more than 30,000 vehicles per day, hydrant spacing shall average 500 feet on each side of the street and be arranged on an alternating basis.
- C. Where new water mains are extended along streets where hydrants are not needed for protection of structures or similar fire problems, fire hydrants shall be provided at spacing not to exceed 1,000 feet to provide for transportation hazards.
- D. Reduce by 50 feet for dead-end streets or roads.
- E. One hydrant for each 1,000 gallons per minute or fraction thereof.
- F. A 50-percent spacing increase shall be permitted where the building is equipped throughout with an approved automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 903.3.1.2 or 903.3.1.3 of the California Fire Code or Section 313 of the Residential Code.
- G. The fire code official is authorized to modify the location, number, and distribution of distribution of fire hydrants based on site specific constraints and hazards.

# Protection of Hydrants, Detector Checks, Fire Department Connections, and other Appurtenances

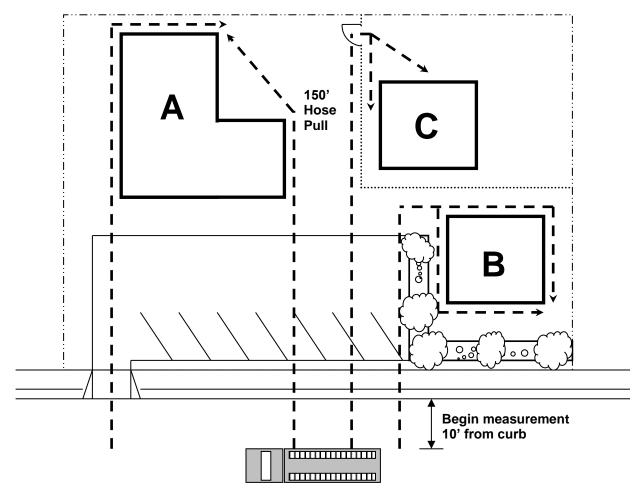


# **Blue Dot Hydrant Marker Location**



The developer may contact the local water company to arrange the installation of the blue dots. If the water agency does not participate in the blue dot program, the developer is still responsible to install the dots in an approved manner.

#### **Hose Pull**



In the example above, assume that the parking lot is not accessible to fire apparatus due to turning radii and fire lane widths less than the required minimums.

- All portions of building "A" are within 150' feet of the public road as measured along the path of firefighter travel. This building is in access.
- Building "B" is also in access despite the obstruction presented by the planter and hedges.
- Building "C" is out of access; the presence of a chainlink fence forces firefighters to backtrack once they pass through the gate, increasing their travel distance beyond 150'. On-site fire access roadways or a change in the location of the gate and would be necessary to provide access to Building "C".

#### Hose Pull vs. Hose Lay

- **A:** Hose Pull (Distance from Engine to Building): Represents the amount of fire hose that firefighters must pull from the engine to reach the structure. Hose pull may not exceed 150'. In the diagram below, firefighters would be able to reach the entire perimeter of the building by pulling no more than 150' of hose from one or more fire engines staged in the shaded portion of the fire lane. For hydrant evaluation purposes, this part of the fire lane is considered to serve the building and must meet hose lay requirements. See Attachment 27 for further information on hose pull measurement and access to structures.
- **B:** Hose Lay (Distance from Engine to a Hydrant): Represents the amount of supply hose that must be laid out of the back of the engine to bring water from the hydrant to the engine. No point along the portion of the fire lane serving the structure (the shaded road) may be farther from a hydrant than the distance specified under "Maximum Distance" in CFC Table C102.1 (see Attachment 24). The hydrant may be located along portions of the fire lane that exceed the hose pull distance provided that it is 1) on the same property, 2) on an adjacent property where an emergency access easement has been obtained, or 3) on a public road leading to the fire lane serving the property. Hose lay is measured along the vehicle path of travel in the fire lane, not "as the crow flies."
- C: Hydrant Spacing (Distance between Hydrants)—the distance between hydrants serving the building shall not exceed twice the "Maximum Distance" listed in CFC Table C102.1, as measured along the fire lane. Hydrants located on portions of the fire lane that do not serve the building do not need to be evaluated for spacing relative to each other, only with respect to hydrants that do serve the structure. For example, when evaluating hydrant placement for the building shown in the diagram below,  $C_1$  may exceed the hydrant spacing requirements, while  $C_2$  and  $C_3$  cannot. The "Average Spacing" from Table C102.1 shall be maintained to prevent multiple hydrants from being concentrated in only one portion of the fire lane.

