FIRE LANE REQUIREMENTS

(SECTION 503 OF THE 2015 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE
ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF DUNCANVILLE 3/7/2017
WITH REGIONAL COG ADMENDMENTS)

SECTION 503.2.1 Dimensions: Fire apparatus access roads shall have an unobstructed width of not less than 24 feet, except for approved security gates in accordance with Section 503.6 and an unobstructed vertical clearance of not less than 14 feet. SECTION 503.2.2 Authority: The fire code official (Fire Chief/Marshal) shall have the authority to require an increase in the minimum access widths and vertical clearances where they are inadequate for fire or rescue operations.

503.3 Marking: Striping, signs, or other markings, when approved by the code official (Fire Chief/Marshal), shall be provided for fire apparatus access roads to identify such roads or prohibit the obstruction thereof. Striping, signs and other markings shall be maintained in a clean and legible condition at all times and shall be replaced or repaired when necessary to provide adequate visibility.

(1) Striping: Fire apparatus access roads shall be continuously marked by painted lines of red traffic paint six inches (6”) in width to show the boundaries of the lane. The words “NO PARKING FIRE LANE” or “FIRE LANE NO PARKING” shall appear in four inch (4”) white letters at 25 feet intervals on the red border markings along both sides of the fire lanes. Where a curb is available, the striping shall be on the vertical face of the curb.

(2) Signs: Signs shall read “NO PARKING FIRE LANE” or “FIRE LANE NO PARKING” and shall be 12” wide and 18” high. Signs shall be painted on a white background with letters and borders in red, using not less than 2” lettering. Signs shall be permanently affixed to a stationary post and the bottom of the sign shall be six feet, six inches (6’6”) above the finished grade. Signs shall be spaced not more than fifty feet (50’) apart. Signs may be installed on permanent buildings or walls or as approved by the Fire Chief.

The Duncanville Fire Department shall make periodic inspections of fire lanes to verify compliance.

For additional information contact Duncanville Fire Prevention.

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