



## TOWN OF AMHERST

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# FIRE LANE GUIDE LOCAL LAW #4-82

## Requirements:

### A. New or Expanded Projects

1. Designated fire lane shall be at least 25 ft. wide if for two-way traffic, 18 ft. wide if for one-way traffic.
2. Driveway to street radius shall be at least 34 ft.
3. Fire lane shall provide access to and/or around the structure(s).
4. When practical there shall be no parking provided between the fire lane(s) and structure(s)
5. If parking must be placed between the fire lane(s) and the building provide minimum 24 ft. wide access (walks or landscaped islands) at least every 99 ft.
6. All required signage and/or pavement markings must be installed prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy.

### B. Existing sites required to designate Fire Lane(s):

1. Driveways which intersect with a public road or highway may be designated a fire lane.
2. The driveways closest and parallel to the structure shall be designated a fire lane.
3. Required signs and/or pavement markings shall be installed within 90 days following the adoption of the Planning Board resolution requiring the fire lane.

### C. Fire Lanes shall be indicated by:

1. Fire Lane signs shall conform to the requirements of subchapter B, standard regulatory signs, Part 214 of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices. (Sign P-10)
2. Signs shall be mounted on posts spaced not more than 100 ft. apart along driveways designated per item b. 1 above, and on building walls or canopy supports as appropriate at a spacing not exceeding 50 ft.
3. The Planning Board may require the words "FIRE LANE" be painted on the pavement in conformance with Part 260 of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices and shall be 6 ft. in height. Words shall be painted so that they are legible to approaching traffic.

### D. Inspection:

1. The Fire Safety Division of the Building department shall verify the installation of the signs and/or pavement markings as shown on the approved plan.



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## Sign Installation

1. Signs shall be located on the right hand side of the roadway facing approaching traffic.
2. Signs shall be installed approximately two feet away from the edge of pavement or curb.
3. The bottom of the sign shall be at least seven (7) feet above finished grade.
4. All signs shall be installed facing traffic at an angle of 30 to 45 degrees to a line parallel to the flow of traffic. The sign legends shall include single-headed arrows pointing in the direction of the regulated fire lane if the signs are located at the end of the zone, or double-headed arrows pointing in both directions if the signs are at intermediate locations.
5. Signs shall be posted at intervals of 50' around the buildings.
6. Signs shall be posted at intervals of 100' along driveways.

Size: 12" x 18"  
Background: White  
Legend: Red  
Margin: 3/8"  
Border: 3/8"  
Line 1: 3" high letters  
Line 2: 3" high letters  
Line 3: 2" high letters

