



Protect your family. Help emergency first responders. Display Your Address

Even if you rely on a post office box for mail delivery, it is important that your 9-1-1 address is posted on your property and clearly visible from the road.

Numbers must be placed on the house, away from obstructions, with proper lighting.

It's also a good idea to place your address number near the road, on a mailbox, monument or post, visible from both directions.

QUESTIONS?

Contact the Rockland County
Enhanced 9-1-1 Office at (845) 364-8908



■ IT'S THE LAW!

The Residential Code of New York State and the Property Maintenance Code of New York State require new and existing buildings to have visible premise identification.

R319.1 Premises identification-Approved numbers or addresses shall be provided for all new buildings in such a position as to be plainly visible and legible from the street or road fronting the property.

- New and existing buildings are to have address numbers placed in a position to be plainly **legible** and **visible from the street**.
- Road address numbers must be **clearly displayed** so that the location can be identified easily from the road.
- Numbers shall be a **minimum of 4 inches high** with a **minimum stroke width of 0.5 inch**.
- The address numbers shall **contrast with their background**.
- Address numbers shall be **Arabic numbers or alphabetical letters**.
- Numbers shall **NOT be spelled out**.
- If building address cannot be viewed from the public way, a monument, pole or other sign or means shall be used.
- Address identification shall be **maintained**.

Help emergency responders locate your home by properly displaying the address. Follow these simple guidelines:

■ **Use Large Numbers:** Every single-family house should use numbers that are at least 4 inches high. Multiple dwelling units such as apartments and duplexes, as well as non-residential buildings, should use numbers that are at least 6 inches high. The numbers should face the correct street.

■ **Be Visible in the Dark:** Place the numbers on your house under a light.

■ **Use Reflective Materials:** Numbers on a mailbox or post should be reflective or set on a highly contrasting background.

■ **Post or Mailbox:** Numbers should be posted on both sides. Emergency vehicles may not arrive from the same direction as your mail carrier or delivery.

■ **Locate near the road:** If your house is not visible from the street, post numbers that are clearly visible from the road on a pole, sign or post. If your home is across the street from a mailbox, post the number along the driveway.

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■ **Post TWICE on long or shared driveways:** If the driveway leads to more than one address, post all numbers at the end of the driveway and also post the correct number on each building.

The official address number must be displayed on the front of a building or at the entrance to a building, which is most clearly visible from the street or road during both day and night.

If a building is more than 75 feet from any road, the address number must be displayed at the end of the driveway or easement nearest the road, which provides access to the building.

■ **Uncover the numbers:** Make certain to trim bushes, vines, flowers and weeds so all numbers are clearly visible. Move flower baskets, flags and other items that may obstruct a clear view of your address number.

Reasons for Properly Displaying Your Address Number:

Protect your family and your property

- If you need 9-1-1 services, fire, law enforcement and emergency medical services will be able to find you faster.
- A visitor, child or an injured person may be unable to give clear directions.
- Emergency first responders may be unfamiliar with your area. Clearly posted address numbers can save precious seconds that count in an emergency.

Identification for Utility Services

- Phone, electric, gas, cable and other companies rely on an address to begin a new service or respond to a maintenance issue.

Identification for Delivery Services

- Mail, package and other deliveries require an address. Having that address clearly shown will ensure prompt delivery.

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- See the front of this postcard for New York State and Local regulations.

Properly displaying your address number could save your life!