INSPECTION GUIDELINES: ADDRESS AND PREMISES IDENTIFICATION

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The information provided in this document is general and intended as a guide only. Each project is unique and additional requirements may be enforced as deemed appropriate.

Per the California Building Code and California Fire Code, the following requirements apply to existing buildings, new buildings, additions, remodels, and temporary addresses during construction, and when the Building Official or Fire Marshal deems necessary.

ADDRESS IDENTIFICATION

☐ New and existing buildings shall be provided with approved address identification. (CBC 502.1)
  ☐ The address identification shall be legible and placed in a position that is plainly visible from the street or road fronting the property.
  ☐ Address identification shall contrast with their background.
  ☐ Address numbers shall be Arabic numerals or alphabetical letters (numbers shall not be spelled out).
  ☐ All address numbers shall be permanently attached (non-moving).

☐ Where required by the Building Official or Fire Marshall, address identification shall be provided in additional approved locations to facilitate emergency response. (CBC 502.1)

☐ Monuments, poles, or other approved sign or means shall be used to identify the structure when access by means of a private road and the building address cannot be viewed from the public way. (CBC 502.1)

MINIMUM SIZE OF NUMERALS

☐ Numbers shall be a minimum of four (4) inches high for residential properties. (CRC 319.1/CBC 502.1)

☐ Commercial and Industrial properties shall be a minimum of twelve (12) inches high on the building and six (6) inches high on the suite. (SMC 15.12.030)