



# CONCORD FIRE & LIFE SAFETY

## *Fire Marshal's Office*

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### **Fire Lane Ordinance**

#### **City Ordinance Section 34-93. Fire lanes.**

- (a) Fire lanes shall be designated at all locations within the authority and jurisdiction of the City of Concord in accordance with the North Carolina Fire Code and as approved by the fire code official.
- (b) Fire lanes installed shall conform to the requirements of North Carolina Fire Code and shall be approved by the fire code official prior to installation.
- (c) Fire lanes shall be installed in accordance with the specifications on file at the Fire Prevention Office.
- (d) Roadways, driveways and access ways shall not be marked as fire lanes without first obtaining approval from the fire department. Detailed plans showing the location of the lanes may be required to determine whether or not any proposed markings meet specifications established and on file at the Fire Prevention Office.

#### **City Ordinance Section 34-94 Signs and Marking.**

- (a) All fire lanes and access roads must be marked with signs indicating "No Parking Fire Lane" as described in the specifications on file at the Fire Marshal's Office. Said specifications shall include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - (b) Signs shall measure 12 inch by 18 inch and have red letters on a white reflective background.
  - (c) Signs must be metal construction only. Plastic or wooden signs are not acceptable.
  - (d) Signs shall be mounted at a minimum height of four feet to the maximum of seven feet.
  - (e) Signs shall be placed along the fire lane at intervals not to exceed 50 feet and as designated by the fire code official.
  - (f) Signs shall be placed on both sides of the lane when striping is required on both sides of the lane by the North Carolina Fire Code.
  - (g) Outlining or painting the fire lane on the roadway surfaces shall be done in yellow, red, or white with contrasting letters that read "FIRE LANE" at 50 foot intervals and/or as specified in the specifications on file at the Fire Prevention Office or as otherwise directed by the fire official. Striping shall be a minimum of 5" in width."
  - (h) Existing fire lanes shall continue in effect as installed until such time as they are in need of re-striping due to wear or re-paving.

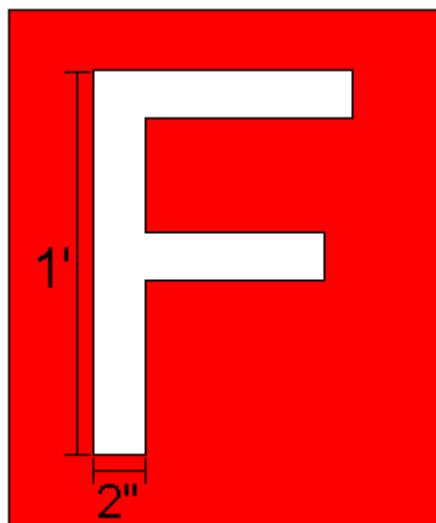
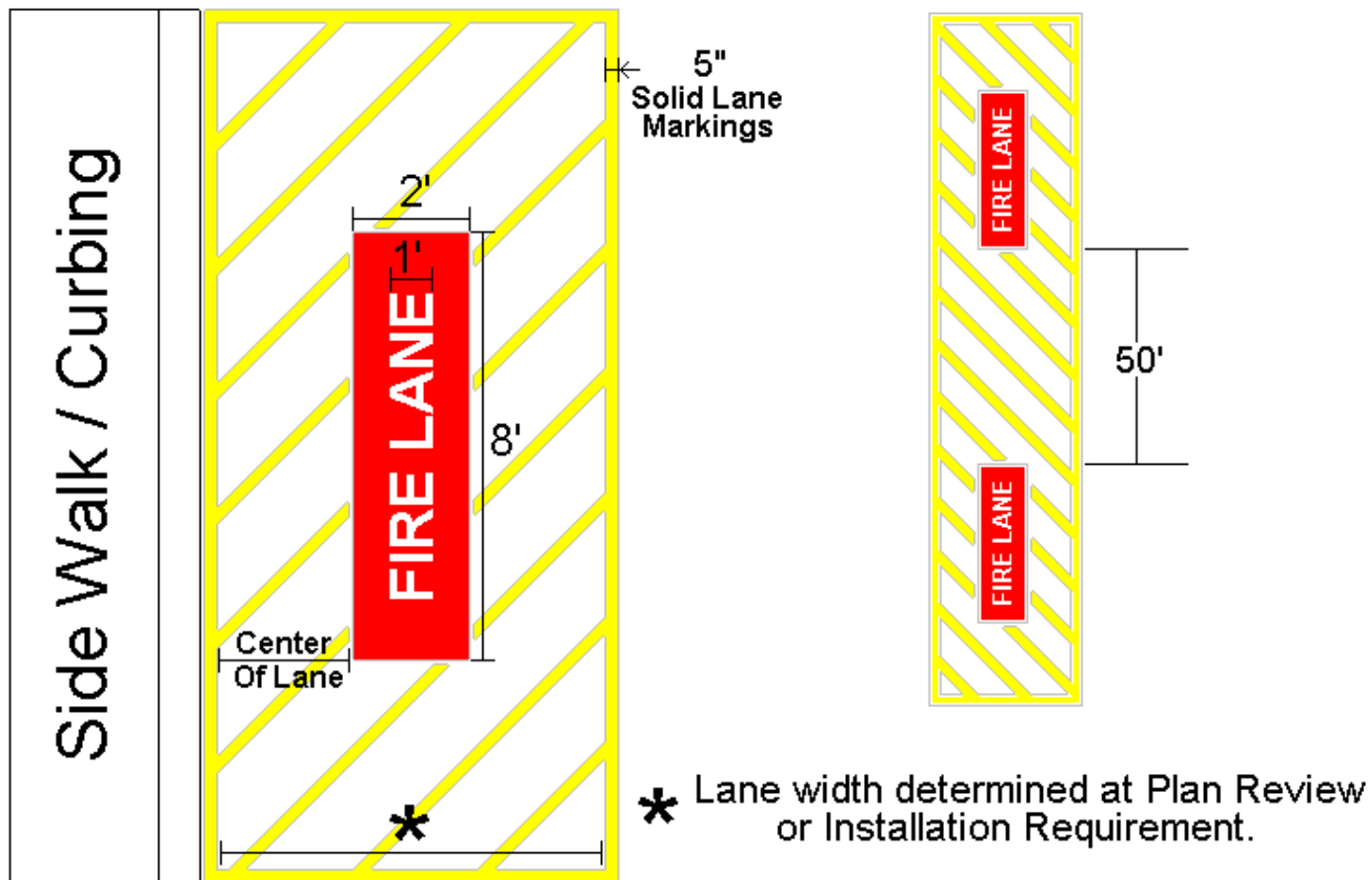
#### **City Ordinance Section 34-95. Violations and Enforcement.**

- (a) Any person who parks a vehicle in, obstructs, or allows the obstruction of a designated fire lane shall be liable for a civil penalty of \$100.00 upon receipt of a citation issued by the fire or police chief or any designee of either.
- (b) Any vehicle or object obstructing a designated fire lane, whether public or private, may be towed or removed without prior notification of the owner, and at the owner's expense.
- (c) The registered owner of the vehicle parked in the fire lane shall be responsible for all civil penalties issued and any towing or related charges accruing hereunder.
- (d) Civil penalties due hereunder shall be collected under the provisions set forth in Section 1-6.

**See the following examples pictured below:**



## Fire Lane Pavement Marking Specifications



**Marking:** All designated fire lanes shall be marked accordingly. The perimeter of the fire lanes shall be designated by the Fire Official. All stripes shall be 5" in with. The interior of this area shall be marked with 5" yellow stripes at 45 degree angles to the perimeter strip and be 4-feet on center. All Letters shall be 1' tall and have a 2" stroke.

**Sign Layout**



**Sign Placement**

