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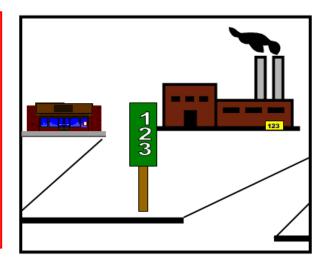
### CODE INFORMATION SHEET

## ADDRESS NUMBERS

### Is your number up?

Firefighters and ambulance personnel waste no time answering an alarm. Everything they do is calculated and rehearsed to save every possible second.

House and building numbers that are too small, painted over, so old that some digits are missing, covered or partly covered by plantings, written out in fancy script, attached to a garage door (therefore, only visible if the door is closed), or not adequately lit at night - all these are threats to life in case the fire truck or ambulance is trying to help someone at that address.



Look at your number from the street AT NIGHT to see if it is completely visible and readable, and whether the lighting is adequate for someone to read who is not familiar with it.

Numbers should be the minimum of 4 "high and on a contrasting background

Firefighters, ambulance, and police personnel are ready to help you 365 days a year, 24 hours a day - but you must take a little time yourself to display your house or building numbers clearly, so they can find where you are.

# Requirements of the Vermont Fire and Building Safety Codes

NFPA 1 - 10.11.1.1\* New and existing buildings shall have approved address numbers placed in a position to be plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property.

Note > Where a building is not routinely identified by a street address, other means of building identification such as building name or number should be permitted.

NFPA 1 - 10.11.1.2 Address numbers shall contrast with their background.

NFPA 1 - 10.11.1.3 Address numbers shall be Arabic numerals or alphabet letters.

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