

**RULES & REGULATIONS FOR ROSS TOWNSHIP  
ESTABLISHING OF PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION  
SIGNS**

**1. Building numbers required.**

It is and it shall be the duty of each and every owner, trustee, lessee, agent, occupant and possessor of each and every house, building or other structure located in Ross Township, whether on a public or private roadway, to cause the house, building or other structure to be numbered with its' official building number assigned by Ross Township. The building number sign shall be installed on an approved post and/or mount at the intersection of the driveway and the roadway right-of-way. The number shall be permanently posted and affixed as set forth herein. All persons required to number existing houses buildings or other structures shall contact Ross Township and secure an assigned building number.

**2. Placement and types of building numbers.**

A. The building number shall be placed at the following locations on the subject property:

On a clearly visible approved post, approved mount or other similarly approved structure located upon the subject property where the driveway intersects with the township and/or state and/or private roadway.

B. The building number shall be of paint, metal, enamel or vinyl, and the color of the building number shall be reflective white and shall be in contrast to the immediate background. The number shall be of sufficient size and in full view, so as to be identifiable and readable from the opposite side of the street or road adjacent to the subject property. Building numbers shall be positioned such that snow, leaves, tree branches or other such impediments shall not impair the visibility required by this chapter. The building number sign identifying the building or other structure shall comply with the following regulations:

- (1) Numerals shall be at least four (4) inches in height and spaced in a manner so that the reader can easily read the numbers.
- (2) The numbers shall be displayed vertically and correctly and read from top to bottom.
- (3) The numbers shall be in reflective white numerals and shall be visible from both roadways.
- (4) The background shall be dark green in color so that the reflective white numbers are more visible.
- (5) The building number sign shall be easily visible by emergency responders as they approach the subject property and from either direction on the roadway.
- (6) The height of the building number sign installed on an approved post or mount shall be at least four feet but no greater than eight feet from the ground surface.
- (7) Unless otherwise approved by the Township, the building number sign shall be mounted on one of the following configurations:
  - (a) Mounted on a stand a-lone post or pole in a manner approved by the Township.

- (b) Mounted on any other type of kind of approved mounting device in a manner approved by the Township.
- (8) If the building number sign post and/or mount is knocked down and/or removed and/or otherwise covered by an unforeseen occurrence, the owner of the subject property shall repair and/or reinstall the building number sign within five (5) days of the occurrence.

### **3. Covering of the building numbers prohibited.**

It shall be unlawful to cover any building number sign with any other sign, drapery or other obstruction tending to conceal such building number, and all inaccurate, obsolete or nonconforming building numbers shall be removed from any property, house, building or other structure when a new number has been assigned or when so directed by Ross Township's Zoning Officer or other designated Township representative.

### **4. Time limit for numbering buildings.**

All persons required to number buildings, as set forth herein, shall install the requisite building number signs for existing houses, buildings or structure on or before December 1, 2011. The owners of new structures, those structures constructed after the date this chapter is executed by the board of Supervisors, shall procure a building number sign as part of the normal building permit process. New structure shall be numbered within 30 days after completion of the structure and a certificate of occupancy shall not be issued until required numbers are installed.

### **5. Violations and penalties.**

Any persons, firm or corporation who install number or attempt to number any house, building or structure contrary to this chapter or who shall, within 30 days of notification by Ross Township's Zoning Officer or other designated representative, fail or neglect to number his or her house, building or structure in accord with this chapter, or who shall: fail to change the number thereof or fail to remove the old number in cases of a number change, or who shall violate any of the provisions of this chapter, and any person or persons who shall alter, deface, remove or destroy any number or sign required to be displayed by this chapter, or any person or persons, firm, corporation who fails to install the requisite street or road sign required herein and/or attempts to deface and/or remove any such street or road sign shall upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$100 and not more than \$600, the costs of persecution and reasonable attorney's fees and, in default of payment thereof, to imprisonment of not more than 30 days. Each day's violation of any of the provisions of this chapter shall constitute a separate offense.