

18" L x 12" W

6- Inch Font  
for "FDC"

FDC

3- Inch Font  
for "SIDE"

SIDE

Reflective Red and White  
Latha Bold font, all caps



# PIKE TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Prevention Services Division

4881 West 71<sup>st</sup> Street

Indianapolis, Indiana 46268

317-347-5860

Dear Building Owner:

Pike Township Fire Department is constantly trying to find ways to improve our emergency response to situations that may affect your life or property due to fire. Response time is very critical during a fire or a medical run. In an effort to streamline and make our response to fires more effective, Pike Township Fire Department is beginning a program to standardize the identification of your Fire Department Connection (FDC) to the sprinkler system for your building to meet the current fire code.

## Requirements

Your building's Fire Department Connection to the sprinkler system is not on the street side it is required that you provide a sign identifying the location of the FDC. **Indiana Fire Code 912.2.2 states, "On existing buildings, wherever the fire department connection is not visible to approaching fire apparatus, the fire department connection shall be indicated by an approved sign mounted on the street front or on the side of the building. Such sign shall have the letters FDC at least 6 inches (152 mm) high and words in letters at least 2 inches (51 mm) high or an arrow to indicate the location. All such signs shall be approved by the fire code official. 675 IAC 22-2.4"**

This sign will make the Fire Department Connection location more visible and reduce the time that it takes for the fire department to find its location. It is critical for control of the fire to establish a water supply to this Fire Department Connection as soon as possible. The quicker a connection is made to supply the sprinkler system, the quicker the fire department can save lives and reduce property damage.

Pike Township Fire Department is requiring this sign be placed at all buildings that have a Fire Department Connection at a location other than at the front of the building.

This letter serves as your official notice of violation of this fire code. You have thirty days from this letter date to correct this violation.

To help this process, we have discussed the manufacturing of this sign with the following sign companies listed below. You are required to install this sign to assist the fire department in being able to find the location of the Fire Department Connection in a timely manner. The cost of this sign will be around \$70. Prices have ranged from \$36-\$106.

The following manufacturers can produce a FDC sign that meets the current code requirement:

Indianapolis Signworks

Fast Signs

Contact Person: Dan Fargo

Contact Person: Gus Ciresi

Phone: 317-872-8722

Phone: 317-334-1149

**Specifications:**

The sign shall be 18 inches long by 12 inches wide. The "FDC" writing shall be 6 inches high and the "SIDE" writing shall be 3 inches high. The correct "A,B, C or D" letter which was issued by the fire code official shall be to the left of the word "SIDE" and be 4 to 5 inches high. The sign shall be constructed of 0.08 Aluminum. The sign shall be red with white font that is all reflective. The font shall be in Latha bold font, in all capital letters. The sign shall be placed in a position that is plainly legible and visible from the street or on the right side of the road fronting the property. The bottom of the sign shall be 5 foot off of the ground. The owner of the building shall immediately notify the fire code official once the sign has been installed. The fire code official will then inspect the sign. All signs shall be clearly visible from the street to meet the requirements of the fire code 912.2.2. If you have questions regarding the sign specifications or placement, please contact the Fire Prevention Services Division.

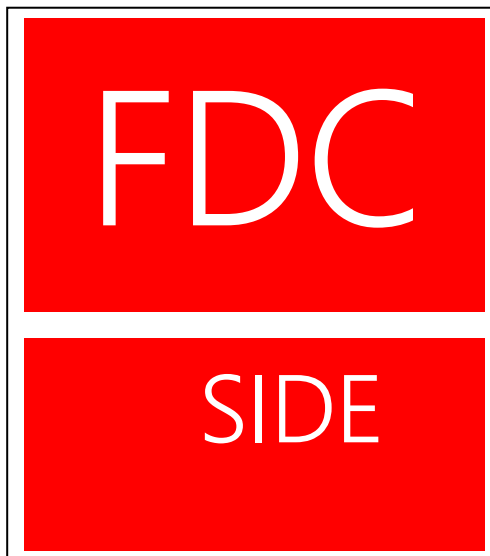
**18"L x 12"W**

**6- Inch Lettering for  
"FDC"**

**Reflective Red Sign  
with White Letters**

**4-5 Inch Lettering for "ABCD"**

**3-inch Lettering for "SIDE"**



**If you have any questions, contact the Pike Township Fire Department Fire Prevention Services Division at 317- 347-5860 Ext. 2105.**

Sincerely,

***Jonathan Kempler***

Division Chief of Prevention Services  
Pike Township Fire Marshal