

**RESIDENTIAL FIRE SAFE REQUIREMENTS FOR
MONO COUNTY PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE 4290 AND
MONO COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 91-06**

To: Mono County Public Works

From: Larry Martinez, Battalion Chief

The following requirements shall apply to all Group R Division 3 construction. If you have questions regarding these conditions, please contact the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection: 2781 S. Round Valley Rd., Bishop, CA 93514, or phone (760) 387-2565.

Fire Department Reference Number _____

1. Driveway surfaces shall conform to local ordinances and be capable of supporting a 40,000-pound load.
2. Driveway grades shall not exceed 16%.
3. Driveways shall be a minimum of 10 feet wide and have an unobstructed vertical clearance of 15 feet.
4. Driveways exceeding 150 feet in length, but less than 800 feet in length, shall provide a turnout near the midpoint of the driveway. Where the driveway exceeds 800 feet, turnouts shall be provided no more than 400 feet apart. An approved turnout is 10 feet wide and 30 feet long (see attachment).
5. An approved turnaround with minimum turning radius of 40 feet or an approved hammerhead/T 60 feet in width shall be installed at the end of each driveway 300 feet or longer (see attachment).
6. All driveway gates shall be at least 12 feet in width and shall be located at least 30 feet from the roadway.
7. County-assigned house numbers shall be posted on all dwelling units. The numbers shall be 3" in height, reflectorized with contrasting background.
8. When buildings are in excess of 100 feet from the roadway, an address sign shall be posted at the driveway entrance with the numbers visible from both directions.
9. When it is required for new construction, the owner shall provide one of the following emergency water systems as approved by the fire authority having jurisdiction:
 - a. An approved emergency water supply system with a minimum 2,000-gallon capacity, an approved brass fire valve with 2.5" National Male Thread accessible to fire apparatus, and a #3" reflectorized blue marker on driveway address sign.
 - b. The proposed project is within a fire district, which meets ISO Rural Class 8 Standards.
 - c. A PUC #103 approved fire hydrant within ½-mile by road from the new construction.

10. All parcels one acre or greater shall provide a building setback of 30 feet from the property line or the center of the road.
11. All flammable vegetation shall be removed or modified from around all buildings for a distance of 30 feet or to the property line.

PLEASE NOTE: In addition to the above conditions, your construction may be in a Fire Protection District that has adopted the Uniform Fire Code; those conditions may also apply to your project. Please contact your local Fire Protection District for additional conditions.

Mono County will not finalize your construction project until the above conditions have been met.