



Code Information Sheet

Truss Construction Signage

NFPA statistics show that numerous firefighters have been killed where light wood truss roofs and floors failed while the fire fighters worked on or below them.

Studies also show that lightweight wood truss assemblies fail in approximately 10 min when involved in a fire

To assist fire departments in operations, the state fire code requires that all buildings containing truss construction assemblies be provided with signage permanently affixed to the building.



Code Requirements

NFPA 1 - 10.13.4 (as amended) Truss Construction

All buildings containing truss construction assemblies shall be provided with signage permanently affixed at a height **4 feet** above the ground located at the left side of the main entrance door on the address side of the building, at the location of the remote fire alarm annunciation panel or at the fire department connection for the fire sprinkler system.

The sign shall be triangular in shape measuring **12 inches** horizontally and **6 inches** vertically and of contrasting color to the background containing the letter:

"F" for truss floor assemblies

The letter "R" for truss roof assemblies

And "FR" for truss floor and roof assemblies

Signs are available by contacting your local Division of Fire Safety Regional Office

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