

## FIRE LANES

**Chapter 44****FIRE LANES**

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**[HISTORY: Adopted by the Council of the Town of Middleburg 9-13-84.  
Amendments noted where applicable.]**

**GENERAL REFERENCES**

**Fire protection and prevention - See Ch. 46.  
Streets and sidewalks - See Ch. 91.  
Vehicles and traffic - See Ch. 107.**

**§ 44-1. Designation.**

- A.     When deemed necessary, the Fire Marshal shall designate fire lanes on public streets, roads or private property used for commercial, industrial, educational or multifamily dwelling purposes. Such fire lanes shall be for the purpose of regulating parking in front of or adjacent to fire hydrants and for access by fire-fighting equipment.
- B.     A fire lane may be designated where it is desirable that certain road areas and building access and egress facilities be kept clear for Fire Department or ambulance emergency equipment and other equipment provided for fire protection.

**§ 44-2. Markings and signs.**

- A.     Marking and/or approved signs to designate fire lanes shall be provided by the owner or agents of the property involved, under guidelines as set up by the Fire Marshal.
- B.     Fire lane signs shall conform to the following:
- (1)     Metal construction, approximately twelve by eighteen (12x18) inches.

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- (2) Red Letters on white background with three-eighths-inch red trim strip around entire outer edge of sign.
- (3) Lettering to be "No Parking or Standing, Fire Lane."
- (4) Arrows on signs to point and indicate the area designated.

**§ 44-3. Obstruction of fire lanes; penalties; additional remedies.**

- A. The parking of vehicles in or otherwise obstructing areas designated and marked or signed under this chapter is hereby prohibited.
- B. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.) for each offense.
- C. Any person may settle a violation of this section by paying to the municipality the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.) before the scheduled court date.
- D. The Fire Marshal or any other law enforcement officer who has jurisdiction within the town may remove or make arrangements to remove any vehicle or other object obstructing any area designated as a fire lane.