



COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION BUREAU MANUAL
DEVELOPMENT POLICIES
425.5 DRIVEWAY AND ACCESS ROAD WIDTH
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SCOPE

Fire District access requirements for properties within the Tiburon Fire Protection District.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to outline the requirements for providing minimum fire department access road width.

DEFINITIONS

FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROAD (CFC): A road that provides fire apparatus access from a fire station to a facility, building or portion thereof. This is a general term inclusive of all other terms such as fire lane, public street, private street, parking lot lane and access roadway.

REQUIREMENTS

The required minimum road width of 30 feet may be reduced with permission from the Fire Chief in accordance with the following provisions.

1. The minimum all-weather surface width for a driveway serving one or two dwelling units shall be 12 feet.
 - a) In corners and curves with an inside radius less than 60 feet, the minimum improved width shall be 14 feet of total clearance.
 - b) Driveways exceeding 300 feet in length shall be provided with turnouts having a minimum improved width of 20 feet and a length of 75 feet (turnouts 24 feet wide need only be 60 feet long). Turnouts shall be

posted with no parking signs. A turnout shall be provided for each 300 foot section of driveway.

2. The minimum all-weather surface width for an access road serving more than two and up to six dwelling units shall be 16 feet.
 - a) Access roads exceeding 300 feet in length shall be provided with turnouts having a minimum improved width of 20 feet and a length of 75 feet (turnouts 24 feet wide need only be 60 feet long). Turnouts shall be posted with no parking signs. A turnout shall be provided for each 300 foot section of access road.
3. All gates and access control devices shall provide a minimum clear width of 12 feet.
4. No parking shall be permitted to encroach upon the minimum width requirements outlined above. 'No parking' signs and/or curb painting may be required.

CROSS REFERENCES

California Fire Code 503.2.1