



**SHIP BOTTOM VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY
OCEAN COUNTY STATION 46
2006 CENTRAL AVE
SHIP BOTTOM, NJ 08008**



Fire Lane Requirements

Drawing Must Be Provided for Approval

Purpose: In order to provide adequate emergency vehicle access, (Fire, Police, Ambulance), and to give the citizens of Ship Bottom the best possible emergency response time, it is necessary that all required Fire Lanes be installed and accepted before any construction goes above the slab.

General: Fire Lanes are required to be installed and maintained in accordance with the Fire Code and Fire Official/Fire Chief. All fire lanes shall be approved by the Ship Bottom Fire Chief and a diagram must be submitted for approval prior to starting construction of any building where fire lanes are required. ***No one shall mark, post, or otherwise identify a non-fire lane street, whether public or private, as a fire lane.***

Maintenance: All designated fire lanes shall be maintained and kept in a state of good repair at all times by the owner or person in control of the premises. The signs and road markings must remain legible. At the time that the Ship Bottom Fire Company or Ocean County Fire Marshal deems necessary, the fire lane may need to be maintained and re-stripped and/or painted to provide adequate visibility.

Requirements: Designated fire lanes shall be a minimum of 20 feet wide and clearly identified through the use of approved signs and striping. Fire lane striping and lettering shall be yellow in color and a minimum of 6 inches wide, with "NO PARKING FIRE LANE" applied every 100 feet alternating direction based on the flow of traffic. All fire lanes require a drawing to be submitted for approval prior to work being performed.

-Vertical Clearance: All fire lanes shall have a vertical clearance of not less than thirteen feet and six inches (13' 6") from the roadway/graded surface. This height is required for a fire apparatus to pass under.

-Width: The minimum unobstructed width of a fire lane shall be not less than twenty feet (20'). This is required for two fire trucks to pass in an emergency.

-Turning Radius: All fire lanes shall have at least a twenty five (25') inside turning radius and at least a fifty-four foot (54') outside turning radius.

-Surface: Fire apparatus access roads shall be designed and maintained to support the imposed loads of fire apparatus and shall be surfaced so as to provide all weather driving capabilities.

Please feel free to contact the Fire Chief with questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Ship Bottom Fire Chief

*This complies with the International Fire Code New Jersey Edition 2015 code book specifically Chapter 5