

# Number Size

Address numbers should be contrasting and reflective.

## Residential Numbers - 4 inch



4 in.  
(Example not to scale)

## Commercial Numbers - 6 inch

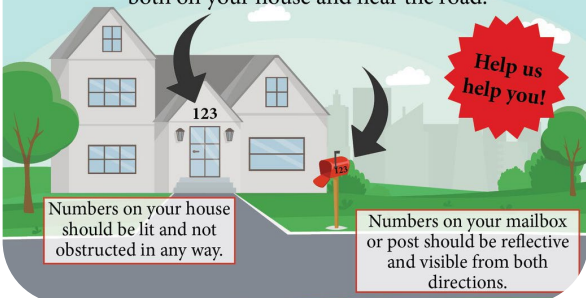


6 in.  
(Example not to scale)

### Can we find you in an emergency?

*Every second counts!*

Make sure your address numbers are posted clearly, both on your house and near the road.



# Planning & Zoning

## ► Assistance with:

- Address Changes
- Finding/Verifying Address
- Address Information
- Addressing History
- Addressing Ordinance
- Consultant Information
- Road List
- Prohibited Road Name Words
- Road Naming Tips



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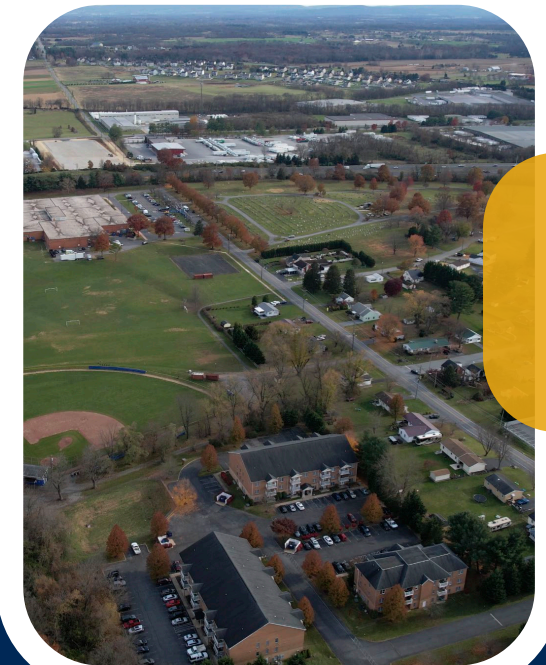
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Washington County  
MARYLAND

# Addressing Ordinance

## ► Information



Washington County Department  
of Planning & Zoning

Your life depends on it.

9-1-1 for the **FUTURE** providing text, video and location accuracy services.



## NEXTGEN911

NextGen 911 is an emergency communications infrastructure that will enable voice, text, and video for 911 communications. Using geographic information systems (GIS), NextGen 911 will help accurately route calls to 911 Call Centers.

NextGen 911 will enable improved location accuracy that will allow emergency personnel to send help efficiently and effectively.



For more information on NextGen911, visit:

[washco-md.net/nextgen911](http://washco-md.net/nextgen911)

## Requirements & Owner Responsibilities

The Addressing Ordinance requires the owner to post addresses in the following manner:



**Numeric address is posted on the structure in high contrast or reflective material.**



**Numbers on residential structures must be 4 inches.**



**Numbers on commercial structures must be 6 inches.**



**Numeric address posted at the access point if the structure is more than 25 feet from the roadway.**



**Any structures with rear access by way of alleys or right-of-ways serving two or more structures, must post the numeric address on the rear and front of the building.**

## Addressing Ordinance

The Addressing Ordinance provides a reliable and consistent system of assigning unique addresses to habitable structures, commercial and industrial structures, communication towers, and certain public utilities within the County. This eliminates the confusion and potential hazards to public health, safety, and welfare which otherwise exist.



## What it does:

1. Standardize Address Numbering
2. Standardize Road Names
3. Establish a Process to Correct Issues with Road Names and Addresses