

ADA Sign Summary

The following ten rules apply to signs that identify a room or space. Informational and directional signs don't require Braille, however they follow many of the other rules below. Please read this entire guide for a comprehensive overview.



- 1 Signs that identify a room, space or area shall have raised characters and Braille. (216.2) (703.1)
- 2 Signs shall have a non-glare finish with contrasting colors. (703.6.2)
- 3 Pictograms shall be in their own 6" high field. Add the ISA symbol if accessible. (703.6.1)
- 4 Characters shall be Sans Serif and all Uppercase. (703.2.3) (703.2.2)
- 5 Characters must be between 5/8" and 2" with a minimum of 1/8" spacing. (703.2.5) (703.2.7)
- 6 Font shall be ADA compliant. Not too bold, condensed, italic, etc. (703.2.4) (703.2.6)
- 7 3/8" minimum margin is required around all raised elements including Braille. (703.2.7)
- 8 1" high space is required for one line of Braille. (703.3.2)
- 9 Braille shall be all together and 3/8" to 1/2" below last line of text. (703.3.2)
- 10 ADA signs are required for both public access areas and all employee areas. (102.5A)