

International Building Code

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1022.8 Floor identification signs. A sign shall be provided at each floor landing in *exit enclosures* connecting more than three stories designating the floor level, the terminus of the top and bottom of the *exit enclosure* and the identification of the *stair* or *ramp*. The signage shall also state the *story* of, and the direction to, the *exit discharge* and the availability of roof access from the enclosure for the fire department. The sign shall be located 5 feet (1524 mm) above the floor landing in a position that is readily visible when the doors are in the open and closed positions. Floor level identification signs in tactile characters complying with ICC A117.1 shall be located at each floor level landing adjacent to the door leading from the enclosure into the corridor to identify the floor level.

- **1022.8.1 Signage requirements.** *Stairway* identification signs shall comply with all of the following requirements:
 - 1. The signs shall be a minimum size of 18 inches by 12 inches (457 mm by 305 mm).
 - 2. The letters designating the identification of the stair enclosure shall be a minimum of 1¹/₂ inches (38 mm) in height.
 - 3. The number designating the floor level shall be a minimum of 5 inches (127 mm) in height and located in the center of the sign.
 - 4. All other lettering and numbers shall be a minimum of 1 inch (25 mm) in height.
 - 5. Characters and their background shall have a nonglare finish. Characters shall contrast with their background, with either light characters on a dark background or dark characters on a light background.
 - 6. When signs required by [Section 1022.8](#) are installed in interior *exit enclosures* of buildings subject to Section 1024, the signs shall be made of the same materials as required by [Section 1024.4](#).