

display of
premises
numbers

If you own or occupy premises in the City of Sydney, it is compulsory that you display the number of your premises properly.

This applies to all premises including buildings, shops and residences within the City of Sydney local government area.

The inadequate numbering of premises can result in costly delays for service authorities such as ambulance, fire brigade and police, which may endanger life and property.

Furthermore, the lack of uniformity in the display of premises numbers is causing considerable inconvenience for the general public, in particular shoppers, tourists and tradespeople.

The City of Sydney on 28 November 1994 adopted the following policy statements for the display of premises numbers:

1 Premises that have frontage to a road will display numbers at least 75mm high for residences and 150mm high for shops, commercial premises and high rise residential buildings directly over the main entrance or immediately adjacent to the main entrance, 1.5 or 2.0 metres above the adjoining footpath level.

The display of numbers between 75 – 150mm high on shops, commercial

premises and high rise residential buildings may be acceptable with the prior approval of the City.

2 Premises incorporating a colonnade will display numbers at least 150mm high at each end of the colonnade at the alignment, 1.5 – 2.0 metres above the adjoining footpath level. Numbers must also be displayed at the main entrance in accordance with Point 1.

3 Commercial and high rise residential premises that have two or more frontages to roads will display numbers to the principal frontage in accordance with Points 1 or 2. The other frontage(s) should display numbers allocated to that frontage at least 150mm high at each end of the frontage, 1.5 – 2.0 metres above the adjoining footpath level.

4 Premises that are set back from the road alignment and cannot display numbers at the alignment will display directly above or immediately adjoining the main entrance, 1.5 – 2.0 metres above the surrounding surface level.

5 Premises numbers must be clearly displayed and be of a contrasting colour to that part of the building to which they are affixed.

Failure to comply with the policy may result in the City issuing an order under Section 124(8) of the Local Government Act 1993. Failure to comply with any such order is an offence under Section 628 of the Act.

Offences committed under Section 628 of the Act attract a maximum penalty of 50 Penalty Units (currently \$5,500) for an individual and 100 Penalty Units (currently \$11,000) for a corporation.

The City seeks your assistance and cooperation in the display of premises numbers for the benefit of the whole community.

For further information, please contact the City's Land Information Officer on 9265 9015.

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