



# VISTA FIRE DEPARTMENT

---

## GENERAL PLAN NOTES

**All of the notes listed in the GENERAL REQUIREMENTS section shall be placed, verbatim, on the plan under the heading "FIRE DEPARTMENT NOTES." Include notes from the OTHER REQUIREMENTS section as applicable to the project.**

### GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. VFD final inspection required. Please schedule all field inspections at least 48 hours in advance. Inspections canceled after 1 p.m. on the day before the scheduled date will be subject to a re-inspection fee. Call VFD Inspection Scheduling at 760-639-6140.
2. Emergency access roads shall be designed and maintained to support an imposed load of 75,000 pounds and will have a paved surface that provides all-weather driving capabilities.
3. All-weather access roads and hydrant locations shall be approved by the VFD and shall be in place and operational before any combustible materials are placed on site. Access roads and hydrants shall be maintained clear of obstructions at all times.
4. The grade of fire department access roads shall not exceed 15% without mitigation. The maximum grade permitted is 20%.
5. Fire lane widths shall be measured from top face of the curb to top face of the curb for fire lanes with curbs and gutters and from flow line to flow line for fire lanes with modified curb designs (e.g., rolled, ramped, etc).
6. Fire lane signs and red curbs shall meet VFD specifications and shall be installed as directed by the Fire Marshal.
7. Industrial building address numbers shall be a minimum twelve inches high, three dimensional, contrast with their background in color, and be plainly visible from the roadway from which the building is addressed. Six inch address numbers shall be provided for commercial and multi-residential buildings.
8. Access gates shall be approved prior to installation and shall be in compliance with the 2007 CFC and VFD guidelines. Access gate(s) shall be operable with a VFD Knox key.
9. All fire hydrants shall have a "Blue Reflective Pavement Marker" indicating the location per the VFD standard. On private property, markers are to be maintained in good condition by the property owner.
10. Storage, dispensing, or use of any flammable (ignitable) or combustible liquids, flammable or compressed gases, and other hazardous materials shall comply with CFC regulations.
11. Dumpsters and trash containers larger than 1.5 cubic yards shall not be stored in buildings or placed within 5 feet of combustible walls, openings or combustible roof eave lines unless protected by an approved sprinkler system.
12. An underground plan submittal is required for the installation of an automatic fire sprinkler system or for private fire hydrant system.
13. This building is not approved for high-piled stock and shall comply with Article 23 of the 2007 CFC. A separate submittal is required prior to storing materials above twelve feet or six feet for specific commodities.
14. Buildings containing refrigeration systems shall comply with Chapter 6 of the 2007 CFC.
15. Documentation from the water purveyor of required fire flow shall be provided.
16. Any future modification to fire protection appliances or approved site plan, including but not limited to road width, grade, speed humps, turning radii, gates or other obstructions, shall require review and approval by the Vista Fire Department.
17. Approved access walkways shall be provided to all required openings and all rescue windows. Vegetation shall be selected and maintained in such a manner as to allow access to and the laddering of rescue windows and structures.

**OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

18. An automatic fire sprinkler system shall be installed throughout the project in compliance with 2002 NFPA 13, 13R or 13D, as applicable. A separate plan submittal is required.

19. Rescue windows will be provided for all sleeping rooms and shall comply with all area, size, operation, and sill height requirements of the California Building Code.

20. Architectural plans and a building use letter are required for review and approval under a separate plan submittal.

21. A chemical classification and hazardous materials compliance plan shall be approved by the VFD prior to any hazardous materials being stored or used on site. A separate plan submittal is required.