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Lewis County Department of Public Works

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PRIVATE ROAD SIGN INSTALLATION

NOTE: These instructions apply only to private road signs that are on county right-of-way. Private road signs on private property need to be installed and maintained by the landowner(s). It is important that private road signs are installed or replaced as soon as possible since they provide guidance for emergency services.

There is an installation fee for installing private road signs for new private roads. This is a one-time fee, $125 as of 1/1/16.

When a private road sign is down on the ground (no damage), call Public Works at 360-740-1123, and arrangements will be made to reinstall the sign at no charge.

When the road sign of an existing private road is missing or damaged, sign replacement is the responsibility of the residents who live on that private road and accomplished by:

- Purchasing a new sign made to county specifications (attached). Sign making companies can be found by searching the internet or yellow pages for "Signs" or "Traffic Signs".
- Delivering the sign to the Public Works Department at the Public Services Building at 2025 NE Kresky Avenue in Chehalis. Public Works staff is at the counter at the far end of the lobby. Look for the Public Works sign above the counter.

The Public Works Department, Traffic Control Division, will install the sign once it is provided.

There is no fee for reinstallation of the new sign on an existing private road, even if the post is damaged or missing.

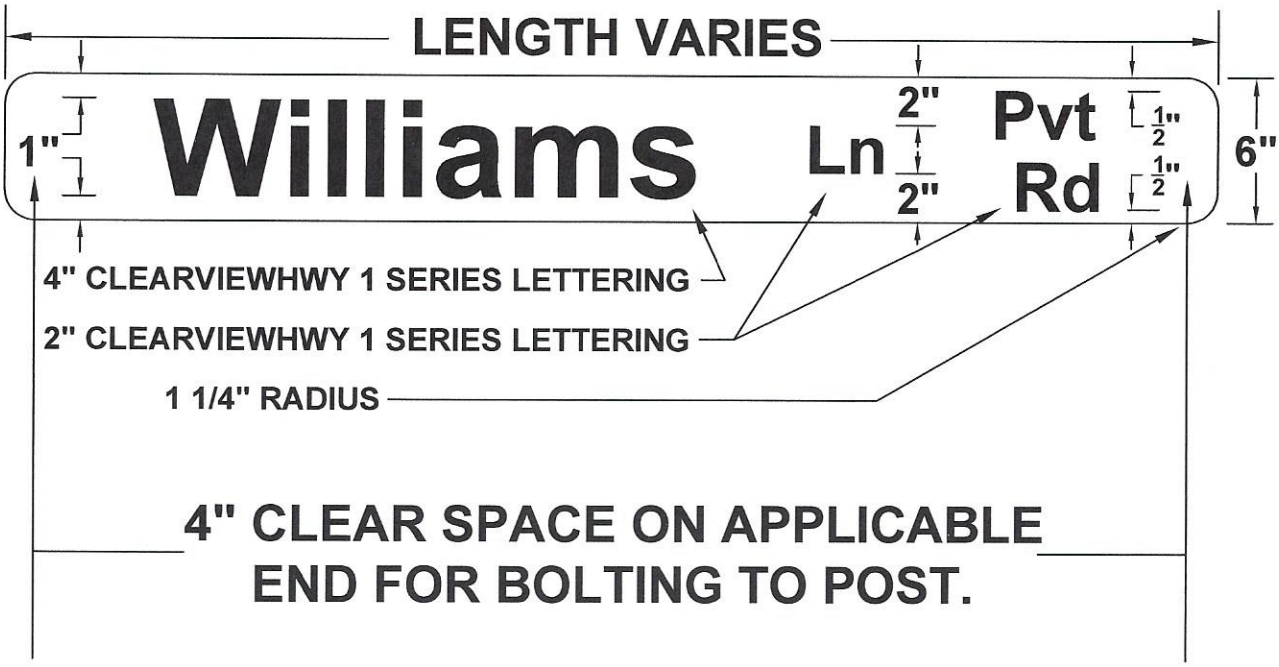
Please call 360-740-1123 if you have any questions.

Road Maintenance & Traffic
476 West Main St.
Chehalis, WA 98532
O 360.740.3380
F 360.740.2741

Administration, Engineering, Utilities & Real Estate Services
2025 NE Kresky Ave.
Chehalis, WA 98532
O 360.740.1123
F 360.740.1479

Solid Waste Services
Post Office Box 180
Centralia, WA 98531
O 360.740.1451
F 360.330.7805

PRIVATE ROAD SIGN STANDARDS



REQUIREMENTS:

- ROAD NAME SIGN MUST HAVE A RETROREFLECTIVE WHITE BACKGROUND WITH BLACK LETTERING ON BOTH SIDES OF THE SIGN PLATE.
- MIXED-CASE LETTERING CONSISTS OF AN INITIAL UPPER-CASE LETTER FOLLOWED BY LOWER-CASE LETTERS.
- SIGN PLATE MUST BE .080" THICK ALUMINUM FOR SIGNS UP TO 40 INCHES IN LENGTH, AND .125" THICK ALUMINUM FOR SIGNS 40-50 INCHES IN LENGTH.
- MAXIMUM SIGN LENGTH IS 50 INCHES.
- SIGNS NOT ADHERING STRICTLY TO THESE STANDARDS WILL BE RETURNED. CONTACT LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS, TRAFFIC CONTROL, 360-740-1195 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.