

## APPENDIX H

# STAIRWAY IDENTIFICATION

### SECTION H101 GENERAL

**H101.1 Signs in stairways.** Standardized signs shall be provided in buildings that are four (4) or more stories in height. The signs shall be installed in stairways to identify each stair landing and indicate the upper and lower termination of the stairway. Signs within stairways shall be located above the floor landing in a position that is readily visible when the door is in the open or closed position. See also Section 1005.3.2.4.

### SECTION H102 OCCUPANCY SIDE OF STAIRWAY DOORS

**H102.1 Signs on occupancy (tenant) side of stairway doors.** Standardized identification signs shall be located at each level on the occupancy (tenant) side of all enclosed stairways, regardless of the height of the building.

**H102.2 Details for signs installed on the occupancy (tenant) side of doors.**

**H102.2.1 Stairway identification.** Stairway identification signs shall have an Alphabetic Letter or Name identification, such as "STAIR A" or "WEST STAIR," to be placed at the top of the sign in 2-inch (50 mm) high block lettering.

**H102.2.2 Reentry.** Where stairway doors are locked from the stairway side to prohibit reentry to a floor, "NO REENTRY" shall be placed at the bottom of the sign in 1-inch (25 mm) high block lettering.

### SECTION H103 SIGNS INSTALLED IN STAIRWAYS

**H103.1 Stairway identification.** Stairway identification signs shall have an Alphabetic Letter or Name identification, such as STAIR A or WEST STAIR, to be placed at the top of the sign in 1-inch (25 mm) high block lettering.

**H103.2 Roof access.** The roof access condition, such as ROOF ACCESS LOCKED or NO ROOF ACCESS, shall be placed under the stairway identification in 1-inch (25 mm) high block lettering.

**H103.3 Floor level number.** The floor level number shall be placed in the middle of the sign in 2-inch (50 mm) high block lettering. The mezzanine levels shall have the letter "M" preceding the floor number. Basement levels shall have the letter "B" preceding the floor number.

**H103.4 Lower and upper terminus.** The lower and upper terminus designation of the stairway shall be placed under the floor number in 1-inch (25 mm) high block lettering.

**H103.5 Reentry.** Where stairway doors are locked from the stairway side to prohibit reentry to a floor, NO REENTRY shall be placed under the lower and upper terminus designation in 1-inch (25 mm) high block lettering. Additionally, the nearest floor above and below where a person can enter the floor from the stairway or where a telephone or two-way communication system is located shall be placed at the bottom of the sign in 1-inch (25 mm) high block lettering.

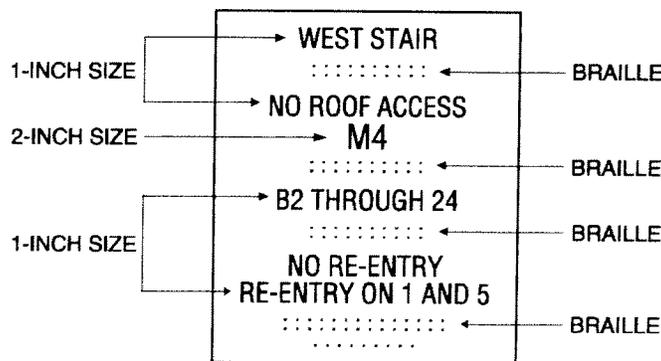
### SECTION H104 COMPLIANCE WITH TEXAS ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS (TAS)

**H104.1 Raised and braille characters/character proportions.** Stairway identification, floor level number and reentry information on signs shall comply with TAS requirements for raised and braille characters. All other letters and numbers on the sign shall comply with TAS requirements for character proportions.

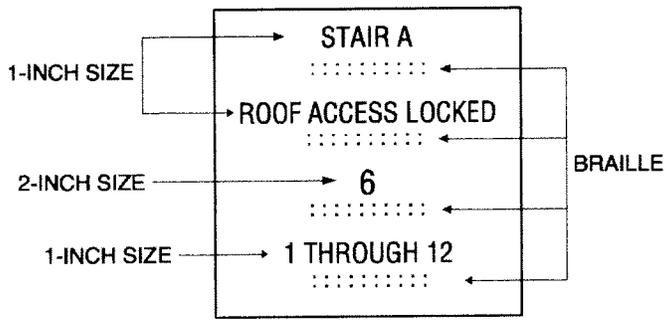
**H104.2 Finish and contrast.** All characters and backgrounds of signs shall comply with TAS requirements for finish and contrast.

**H104.3 Mounting location and height.** All signs shall comply with TAS requirements for mounting location and height.

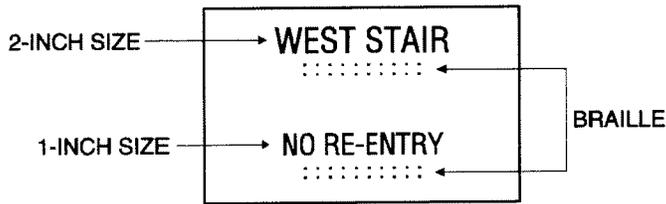
### SECTION H105 SIGN EXAMPLES



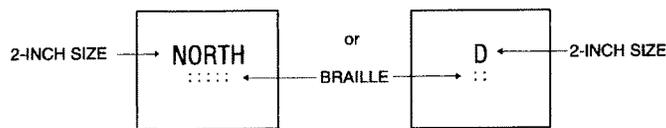
H105.1 Inside stairway: (With restricted re-entry)



H105.2 Inside stairway: (Without restricted re-entry)



H105.3 Occupancy side of stairway:  
(With restricted re-entry)



H105.4 Occupancy side of stairway:  
(Without restricted re-entry)