

SOUTHERN MARIN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



Fire Protection Standard 114

CHRISTMAS TREE LOTS

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This standard is promulgated pursuant to the California Fire Code, California Administrative Code and nationally recognized standards as adopted by the Southern Marin Fire Protection District.

I. Sign Requirements

Sign requirements for all Christmas Tree Lots whether flame proofing trees or not are:

- A. A permanent and durable sign shall be clearly visible at the main entrance to the lot with wording as in Figure 1.
 - B. Letters shall be at least 1" high and have a ¼" stroke.
 - C. Letters shall be of a contrasting color to their background.
 - D. Lines shall be spaced not less than ½" apart.
 - E. Occupancies shall be indented from other lines per Figure 1.
- II. Tents, awnings and any other fabric or membrane structures or coverings are prohibited on any lot. This requirement includes wood members with visquent or similar plastic covering.
 - III. Open flames, including heating or lighting apparatus or equipment capable of igniting flammable materials shall not be used.
 - IV. A minimum of one (1) type 2A 10BC fire extinguisher shall be installed within every 75' travel distance.

- V. Flame Retardant Application License Required For state and local laws regarding the application of flame retardant chemicals and finishes, see Fire District Standard No. 114A.

Figure 1 →

Any Christmas tree being purchased* for use in any of the following**

Commercial businesses***
Places of public assembly
Schools and Churches
Hospitals and rest homes

Shall be from a non-flammable material or shall be treated and maintained in a flame-retardant condition as required by Title 19 of the California Administrative Code.

Fire Marshal, Southern Marin Fire District

*1/2" between lines

**1" minimum high numbers

*** 2" space separating first paragraph and occupancies