Charlotte County Fire & EMS

Fire Prevention Division Scott P. Morris, Fire Marshal



Lightweight Truss Signage

Who is required to display a Lightweight Truss Sign?

Any commercial, industrial, or multi-unit residential structure of three units or more, which uses
horizontal or vertical light-frame truss-type construction in any portion shall be marked with an
approved symbol.

What does a Lightweight truss sign look like?



Lightweight Truss Floor



Lightweight Truss Roof



Lightweight Truss Roof & Floor

What are the requirements for Lightweight Truss sign?

- Symbols must be all weather and contrasting with background.
- Maltese Cross shall measure 8 inches horizontally and 8 inches vertically.
- Maltese Cross shall be a bright red reflective color.
- Maltese Cross shall be within 24 inches to the left of the main entry.
- Maltese Cross shall be not less than 4 feet above grade, walking surface, finished floor.
- Maltese Cross shall be not more than 6 feet above grade, walking surface, finished floor.
- Additional signs to be installed as determined by the Authority Having Jurisdiction.
- The complete rule is available on the State Fire Marshals web site under Rules of the State Fire Marshal.

