

**OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL
STATE OF ILLINOIS**

Statute, Rule or Standard Policy Interpretation:

Policy Number: 11-PCS-001 Warning sign height requirements at Effective Date: January 24, 2010
Attended Self Service, Unattended
Self Service, Fleet Vehicle, Full
Service, and Marine Motor Fuel
Dispensing Facilities

Title: 41 Ill. Adm. Code
Part: 175
Part Title: Technical Requirements For Underground Storage Tanks and the Storage,
Transportation, Sale and Use of Petroleum and Other Regulated Substances
Subpart: B
Subpart Title: Motor Fuel Dispensing Facility Requirements
Section Number: 175.210; 175.220; 175.230; 175.240; 175.250
Section Title: Attended Self-Service Motor Fuel Dispensing Facilities and Islands; Unattended Self-
Service Motor Fuel Dispensing Facilities and Islands; Fleet Vehicle Motor Fuel
Dispensing Facilities; Full Service Motor Fuel Dispensing Facilities and Islands;
Marine Motor Fuel Dispensing Facilities

Purpose: This instruction provides for current policy and guidance to ensure uniform enforcement of 41 Ill. Adm. Code 175.210 through 175.250.

Scope: Statewide

Current Code: Sections 175.210 through 175.250 have various requirements regarding warning signs to be posted at motor fuel dispensing facilities. Generally, these signs must be clearly visible to individuals dispensing regulated substances, constructed of all-weather materials, mounted neither less than 4 nor more than 6 ½ feet from the bottom of the sign to the ground or at a height as approved by OSFM, and convey a specified warning in lettering not less than 7/8 inch high. 41 Ill. Adm. Code 175.210, 175.220, 175.230, 175.240 and 175.250.

Policy Interpretation: This policy applies to all categories of motor fuel dispensing facilities regulated by OSFM as of September 2, 2010, and is intended to encourage the use of warning signs with maximum visibility in light of the realities posed by motor fuel dispensing facility operational set-up. Accordingly, OSFM will approve signs at applicable facilities where the bottom of the sign is at driveway grade and up to 10 feet in height, so long as the other regulatory requirements of Sections 175.210 through 175.250 concerning such signs are met. To meet the applicable regulatory requirements and fall within scope of this policy, subject signs must meet the required signage content requirements, be clearly visible to individuals dispensing regulated substances, be constructed of all-weather materials, and convey the required warning message in lettering not less than 7/8 inch high. See 41 Ill. Adm. Code 175.210, 175.220, 175.230, 175.240 and 175.250.

Repealed Date:

Superseded: