

## The 4 Basic ADA Sign Types



Braille Required	Yes	No	No	No
Raised Lettering	Yes	Not Required	Not Required	Not Required
Lettering Height	5/8" to 2"	5/8" Min.	5/8" Min.	2" Min.
Lettering Font	Sans Serif	Sans Serif	Sans Serif	Sans Serif
Sign Finish	Non-Glare	Non-Glare	Non-Glare	Non-Glare
Sign Colors	Contrasting by 70%	Contrasting by 70%	Contrasting by 70%	Contrasting by 70%
Letter Case	All Uppercase	Upper and/or Lower	Upper and/or Lower	Upper and/or Lower
Pictograms	Yes	No SpecificReq.	No SpecificReq.	No SpecificReq.
Letter Spacing	1/8"-4" of Stroke	10-30% of Stroke	10-30% of Stroke	10-30% of Stroke
Line Spacing	35-70% of Letter Height	35-70% of Letter Height	35-70% of Letter Height	35-70% of Letter Height
Letter Stroke	15% Max or Stroke	10-30% Stroke	10-30% Stroke	10-30% Stroke
Mounting Height	Specific see following	Not Specific	Not Specific	Min. Clearance 80" see following

### Braille Requirements

Shall be Grade II Braille (Contracted, Abbreviated)  
 Shall be 3/4" to 1/2" below raised text  
 When multi lines of copy are employed, Braille shall be below copy all together.  
 Braille shall be in lowercase, except for proper names, acronyms and letters as part of a number.  
 Shall be Domed Shaped.



### ADA Sign Summary

- Signs shall have non-glare finish with contrasting colors. (703.6.2)
- Characters shall be Sans Serif and all Uppercase. (703.2.3) (703.2.2)
- Signs that identify a room, space or area shall have raised characters and Grade II Braille (216.2) (703.1)
- Pictograms shall have a field height 6". (703.6.1)
- Characters must be between 5/8" and 2" with a minimum of 1/8" spacing. (703.2.5) (703.2.7)
- Braille shall be all together and 3/8" to 1/2" below last line of text. (703.3.2)
- Fonts shall be ADA compliant. Not too bold, condensed, italic, etc. (703.2.4) (703.2.6)
- 1" high space is required for one line of Braille. (703.3.2)
- ADA signs are required for both public access areas and all employee areas. (102.5A)