Yadkin County
Road Name and Display Ordinance

An Ordinance of Yadkin County, North Carolina regulating the E-911 road addressing for all properties and buildings and road naming for all public and private roads throughout the unincorporated area of Yadkin County may be by resolution, permit this ordinance to be applicable within its corporate limits.

SECTION 1. PURPOSE & INTENT

The purpose and intent of this Ordinance is to provide a uniform system of road addresses for all properties and buildings throughout the County in order to facilitate provision of adequate public safety and emergency response services and to minimize difficulty in locating properties and buildings for public service agencies and the general public.

SECTION 2. DEFINITION

(A) The following words and phrases when used in the Ordinance shall have meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section.

(1) ADDRESS / ROAD NAME COORDINATOR: The official designated by Yadkin County, charged with the administration of this Ordinance, including his/her authorized agents or delegates.

(2) BUILDING: A roofed and walled structure built for permanent use for a dwelling or commercial business.

(3) DRIVEWAYS: A private way, beginning at the property line of a lot abutting a public road, easement or private right-of-way, giving access form that public road, recorded easement, recorded private road or private right-of-way, and leading to a building, use or structure on that lot. **A driveway may not serve more than one single building.**

(4) ROAD ADDRESS: The combination of numbers and road name assigned by Yadkin County which uniquely identifies a particular building or lot.

(5) ROAD: A public or private one-way or two-way road for ingress and/or egress. Such roads may be of various types including frontage roads, roads with cul-de-sac, and dead end roads. This definition includes secondary roads but does not include driveways. Private roads must serve two or more buildings.

(6) NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING: Any buildings or structures that are not considered a dwelling. (Including but not limited to gas stations, banks, convenience stores, home shops, shopping centers, flea markets, ect.)

SECTION . 3 ROAD NAMES

(A) The Road Names on file with the Yadkin County Services & Development, E-911 Addressing Coordinator are hereby declared the official names of these roads unless change by the action of the County Commissioners. The E-911 Addressing Department is hereby authorized to determine the need for road name changes and to recommend such changes to the County Commissioners. The state maintained roads shall be named by the County Commissioners and filed with the Services & Development, E-911 Addressing Department.

(1) Prior to a state maintained road being named or a road name change request being presented to the County Commissioners, a majority of the landowners, by signed documentation, shall be in agreement of the road name or road name change.

(B) The E-911 Address/Road Name Coordinator or his/her designee will be responsible for assigning and maintaining all private roads names without duplication of names.

(1) It shall take a majority of the landowners, by signed documentation, to name a private drive.

(C) All roads in Yadkin County shall be identified by a sign showing the official name and state road number. These road signs shall be placed at all intersections. Yadkin County will be responsible for the placement and maintenance of the road signs within the unincorporated portions of Yadkin County.

SECTION 4. ADDRESSING

(A) The Address/Road Name Coordinator will be responsible for the addressing including:

(1) Assigning all numbers for properties and buildings.

(2) Maintaining address records of each property and building.

(3) Changing existing addresses when necessary to facilitate sequential house numbers along a private or state road.

(4) Designating individual unit addresses within the multiple housing units in conformity with this Ordinance.

(5) Checking to make sure that buildings are properly addressed and in compliance with this Ordinance. Persons not in compliance shall be notified in accordance to Section 6. B.

SECTION 5. DISPLAY OF ROAD ADDRESS NUMBERS:

(A) Road address numbers must be clearly displayed so that the location can be identified easily from the road.

(1) The official address number must be displayed on the front of a building or at the entrance to a building which is most clearly visible from the road during both day and night. **Property owners are responsible for make sure adequate address numerals are displayed.**

(2) If a building is more than seventy-five (75) feet from any road, the address number shall be displayed at the end of the driveway or easement nearest the road which provides access to the building. Posting of addresses on the mailboxes does not fulfill the requirements of this Ordinance.

(3) Numerals indicating the address of a single family dwelling shall be no less than three (3) inches in height and shall be posted and maintained so as to be legible from the road.

(4) Numerals for multiple dwelling units and non-residential buildings shall be no less than six (6) inches high and shall be posted and maintained so as to be legible from the road, or on the end of the building nearest the road.

(5) Numerals must be of contrasting color to the background and wide enough to be seen from the road day or night. The numerals must be made of durable construction.

(6) Mobile Home Park lots shall have sequential address numbers throughout the park. Each lot will have a separate address number assigned. The address number of each lot must be clearly displayed where it can be clearly seen from the road or private drive. The owner of the mobile home park shall provide a detailed site plan to the Yadkin County E-911 Addressing Office with the lot numbers clearly, and permanently marked. It shall be the responsibility of the mobile home park owner/manager to see that the address numbers are clearly displayed on all mobile homes, whether the mobile home is owned by the park owner or by a private individual, in accordance with the Address Display Ordinance.

(B) The Address/Road Name Coordinator will have the right to authorize and approve alternate methods of displaying address numbers which meet the intent of this Ordinance when strict adherence to these standards cannot reasonably be met.

SECTION 6. ENFORCEMENT

(A) No building permit shall be issued until an official road address number has been assigned to the lot. No Certificate of Occupancy will be issued unless the address numbers are properly displayed in accordance with this Ordinance.

(B) Owners or occupants of buildings already constructed which do not comply with the County Ordinance will be notified and requested to meet these requirements within 60 days from the date of notification. A warning notice will be issued after 60 days if the requirements have not been met. If the owner or occupant does not comply voluntarily with this Ordinance within 30 days of the delivery of a warning notice by registered or certified mail or by hand delivery to the building in violation, enforcement action pursuant to G.S. 153A-123 may be initiated.(**Maximum $50.00 fine or 30 days in jail, or both**.)

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE

Duly amended by the Yadkin County Board of Commissioners, Yadkin County, North Carolina .

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force on July 19, 2002

Amended this 19 day of July 2002

Thomas G Stokes
Chairman, Yadkin County Board of Commissioners

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