

Charlotte County Fire & EMS Fire Prevention Division Obstruction of Fire Hydrants and Fire Protection Devices

The Florida Fire Prevention Code requires that fire hydrants and fire protection devices always be kept accessible to the fire department. Please see the following Code references:

FFPC; NFPA 1:13.1.4

Obstructions shall not be placed or kept near fire hydrants, fire department inlet connections, or fire protection system control valves in a manner that would prevent such equipment or fire hydrants from being immediately visible and accessible.

FFPC; NFPA 1:13.1.5

A 36" (91mm) clear space shall be maintained around the circumference of fire hydrants except as otherwise required or approved.

FFPC; NFPA 1:13.1.5.1

An approved clear and unobstructed path shall be provided and maintained for access to the fire department inlet connections.

These clearances prevent delays in finding and using fire hydrants or fire protection equipment.



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