



Viewing Distance Guide

Safety signs should be large enough to view without straining the eyes.

Follow this easy four-step guide to ensure your safety signs comply with Australian Standard® AS 1319 – 1994 and help everyone return home safely.

1. CONSIDER THE OVERALL POSITIONING

- ▶ Mount your safety sign in a reasonably prominent position, close to the line of sight when standing
- ▶ Place your safety sign against a contrasting background
- ▶ Ensure stacked materials won't block the sign under any circumstances.

2. MEASURE THE VIEWING DISTANCE

- ▶ The viewing distance is the distance between where the sign will be mounted and where everyone should sight the sign upon entry to the room or site
- ▶ To determine the best sign size for your situation, use the Sign Guide below
- ▶ Measure the viewing distance and apply it to the pictogram and text size below in Step 4

NOTE: This guide is only applicable to Brady Australia manufactured signs due to the design of the artwork.

3. CONSIDER THE LIGHTING CONDITIONS

- ▶ If your sign is unlikely to fall easily into the observer's line of sight in poor lighting conditions, you must increase the pictogram and text sizes by 50%

4. SELECT THE RIGHT AND COMPLIANT SIZE SIGNS

- ▶ Australian Standard® AS 1319 – 1994 recommends the following minimum sizes when positioning signs prominently in good lighting
- ▶ Ensure pictogram size is at least 15mm per metre of viewing distance
- ▶ Uppercase text must be 5mm per metre of viewing distance
- ▶ Lowercase text must be 4mm per metre of viewing distance

NOTE: When in poor lighting, increase above specifications by 50% to ensure sign falls readily into the line of sight.



Sign Maintenance

Once mounted, chances are you will rarely clean your signs. But to keep them compliant, Australian Standard AS 1319 – 1994 makes it your responsibility to maintain your safety signs, ensuring maximum effectiveness. This means you must keep them clean, well illuminated and in good condition.

Good news – Brady signs are tough, durable and super easy to clean. Simply wipe the surface using a sponge or soft towel with mild detergent and warm water. Then, dry with a clean, dry cloth or chamois. Always use a non-abrasive cleaner, and avoid chemical cleaning products.

