

Navrae: Area Managers
Enquiries:

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GEMEENSKAPSDIENSTE / OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR:
COMMUNITY SERVICES

Ward Councillors
Ward Committee Members
Senior Area Managers

DISPLAY OF STREET NUMBERS.

The attached article published in the December 2014 Bulletin refers.

The mentioned article was done by the Director: Community Services. The initiative is the first step/activity in a project to promote compliance with the applicable Overstrand By-Law. (By-Law relating to streets, public places and the prevention of public nuisances).

Clause 18: Display of street numbers, states,

1. *The Municipality may, by written notice –*
 - (a) *Allot any number to any premises in any public road and direct the owner of such premises to display the number allotted to the premises and may also, in exceptional circumstances, prescribe the position where it is to be displayed, and the owner or occupier of such premises shall, within 30 days of the date of such notice affix the allotted number on the premises in accordance with such notice; Provided that any such number displayed on the premises shall be clearly visible and readable from a height of 1,5m above the centre line of the adjacent road or carriageway; and*
 - (b) *Direct any owner to replace or repaint any digit of such number which has become illegible, obliterated or defaced.*

2. *If the owner of any premises fails to comply with any direction in terms of a notice contemplated in sub-section (1), the Municipality may cause such direction to be executed and the owner shall be liable for the cost incurred by the Municipality in having the direction executed.*

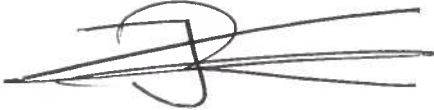
Ward Committee members are furthermore requested to assist the administration by way of the following actions, namely:

- To inform their respective constituencies (structures) of the challenges and to promote the display of street numbers.
- To report to the offices of the respective Area/Deputy Area Managers if the owner/occupier does not comply with the applicable by-law.

The Area/Deputy Area Managers will send a standardized letter/notice to affected residents for their attention. Evaluation of the progress can be done at respective Ward Committees as per the preference of individual Ward Committees.

Thanking you in advance for your assistance.

Regards,



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RODERICK WILLIAMS
DIRECTOR: COMMUNITY SERVICES
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cc: *The Executive Mayor*
Community Services Portfolio Chairperson
Municipal Manager



Sure we can find you in an emergency?

Unless you display your house or property number visibly, calling an ambulance, the fire brigade or the police in case of an emergency will be no use at all. In fact, it could have fatal consequences.

Quite simply, if we can't find you, we can't assist, and valuable time that could have been used to save a life or your property will go to waste simply because we had to chase up and down the street trying to find you.

This is a serious matter, people, and in terms of the applicable municipal bye-law, you can be held accountable for any damages incurred as a result of not displaying a premises' allotted number in the proper fashion.

According to the by-law, all premises – be they residential or commercial – must at all times display a number that is clearly visible and readable from a height of 1,5 m above the centre line of the adjacent road or carriageway.

Thus, best check to see whether your street number has not become illegible, obliterated or defaced in any way. Note that a street number project will be rolled out in Zwelihle in February 2015.

If you are unsure about your exact street address, check your municipal account: The name of the street and the number of your property should appear right below the account holder's name. If these details do not correspond with your physical address, please contact the helpdesk at the municipal offices in your area.

In this regard, note that in the case of corner properties, the main entrance to the property will generally be regarded as the access address.

Should you require any further assistance with clarifying your street address, please call Hermanus 028 313 8000, Kleinmond 028 271 8100, Gansbaai 028 384 0111, Stanford 028 341 0640 or send an email to enquiry@overstrand.gov.za and we will gladly assist.