
Sec. 30-438. Site distance triangles, signage and berms.

- (a) *Safe sight distance triangles at intersections and access points.* Where an access way intersects a right-of-way or when a property abuts the intersection of two or more rights-of-way, a minimum safe sight distance triangular area shall be established. Within this area, vegetation shall be planted and maintained in a way that provides unobstructed visibility at a level between 18 inches and ten feet above the adjacent access. (See Figure 1).

Where an access way enters a right-of-way, two safe distance triangles shall be created diagonally across from each other on both sides of the access way. Two sides of the triangle shall extend 15 feet each way from the point of intersection from the edge of pavement and the right-of-way line. The third side of the triangle shall be a line connecting the ends of the other two sides.

Where a property abuts the intersection of two rights-of-way, a safe distance triangle shall be created. Two sides of the triangle shall extend 30 feet along the abutting right-of-way lines, measured from the point of intersection. The third side of the triangle shall be a line connecting the ends of the other two sides.

- (b) *Signage located within/adjacent to landscape buffer area.* All trees and shrubs located within a landscape buffer shall be located so as not to block view of signage. Where specimen trees exist, the signage setback location may be administratively reduced per the land development code. Code required plantings should progress in height away from the street. Signs may be permitted within the restricted area of the landscape buffer to a minimum setback of one-half the buffer width along with an overall reduction of the sign size requirements as described by 50 percent.

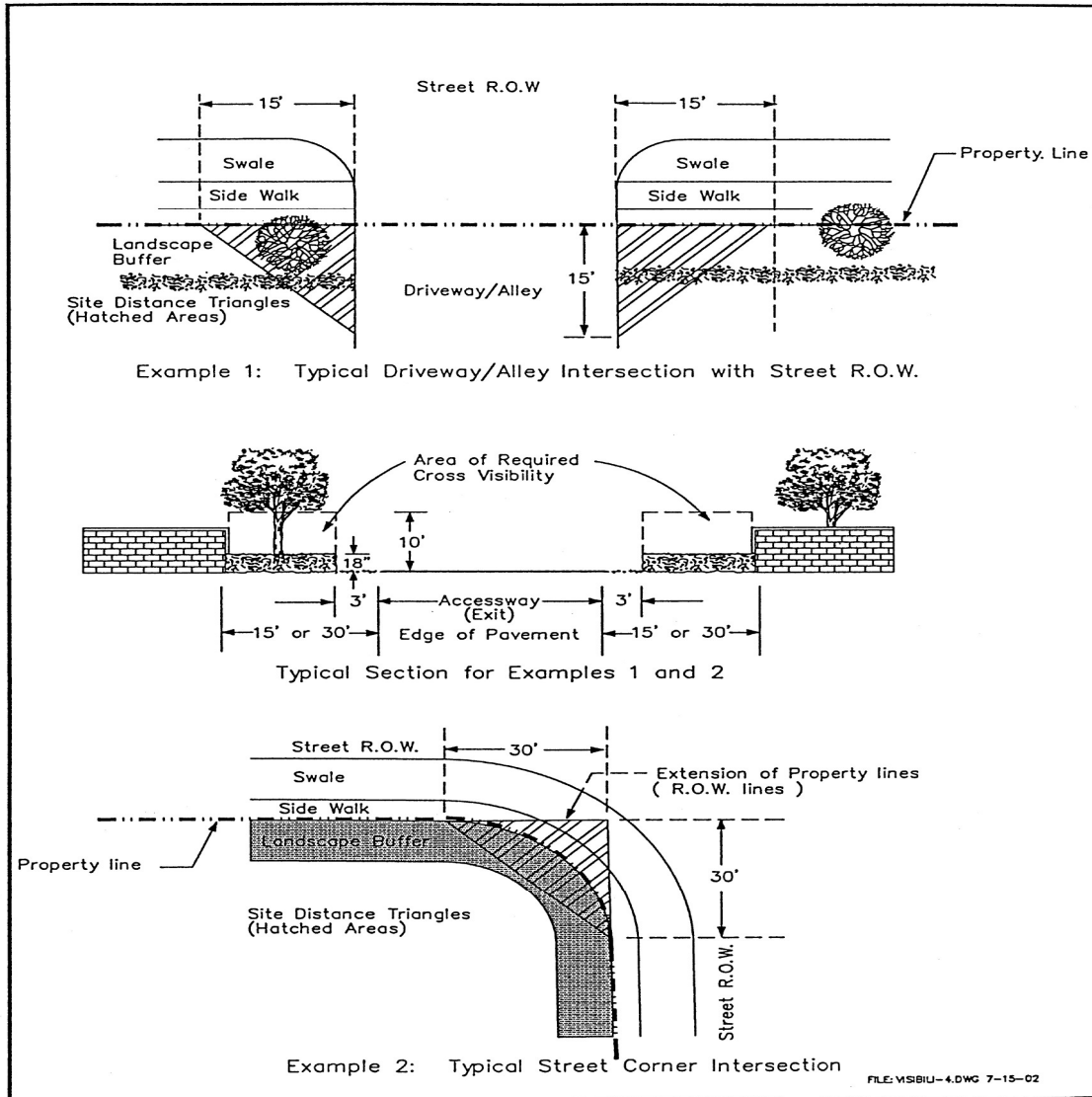


Figure 1. Sight Distance Triangles

- (c) *Landscape berms.* All perimeter landscape berms over two feet in height shall meet or exceed the minimum standards as set forth herein. All grassed berms shall have side slopes no greater than four to one. Berms planted with ground cover and landscaping shall have side slopes no greater than three to one. Existing native vegetation shall be incorporated into the berms with all slopes fully stabilized and landscaped with trees, shrubs, and ground cover. Landscape berms shall not be placed within easements without written approval from all entities claiming an interest under said easement.

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