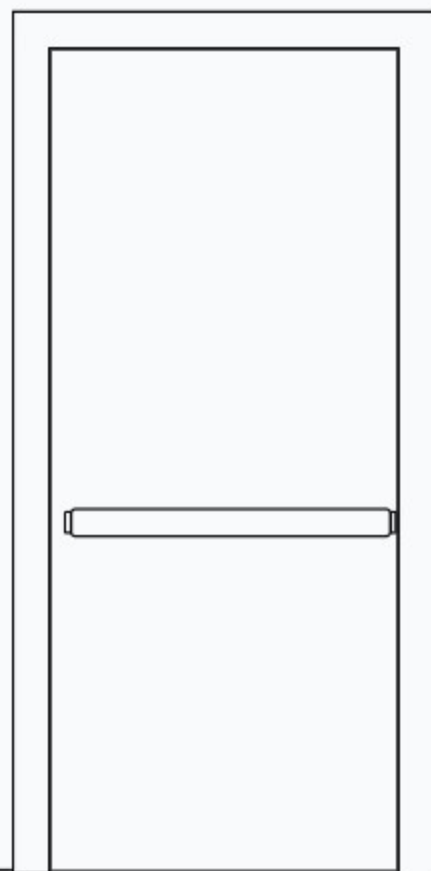


DOORS AND GATES

The ADA Standards permit fire doors to have the minimum opening force specified by the applicable life safety code instead of the 5lbf maximum otherwise specified for interior hinged doors (§404.2.9).



EXIT DOOR SIGNS

The building code requires illuminated exit signs at exits and exit access doors where two or more means of egress are required. In addition, tactile exit signs are required at exit doors leading to enclosed exit stairways and exit doors leading to outside. The ADA Standards apply requirements for tactile and visual characters to these signs (§216.4.1), which can be met on the same sign or separate signs.

The building code also requires signs on the interior of stairway enclosures indicating the floor level and other information. Floor level designations, where provided, must meet tactile and visual criteria in the ADA Standards (§216.2), but directional and informational signs are subject only to provisions for visual characters (§216.3)

