

What, When and Why of 911 addressing?

A 911 address is the physical address of your structure. When you dial 911 from a land line phone in an emergency, this is the location information that is available to a dispatcher.

Why do I need a 911 address?

When a dispatcher receives a 911 call, they need to be able to locate the caller. The dispatcher guides emergency responders to the location. In the case of land line phones, a 911 address should be tied to it so that the dispatcher can see it automatically. This is especially important if the caller is unable to speak or unaware of the 911 address.

When do I need a 911 address?

Many types of structures require a 911 address, including some types of barns, businesses all houses and/or mobile homes; as well as water and cell towers. When you apply for your building permit, one of the forms you must fill out is a 911 Address Application. Permit packages are available through the Development Department. Please call them at (352)486-5198.

How do I get a 911 address?

A 911 address is assigned when a structure is being built or moved onto a location, such as a mobile home, house, or business. A 911 Address Application is part of the permit application package. Permit application packages are available through the Development Department. Please call them at (352)486-5198. If you need the 911 address for an existing structure, call our office at (352)486-5214.

How should I display my 911 address?

Seconds count when emergency responders are trying to locate an address. Please follow the guidelines of the House Number Posting Requirements to make sure your 911 address is properly displayed. You may also refer to Levy County Ordinance 93-6.

Will my address change?

It is possible; there are many factors which are used to determine your address. If/when those factors change it may be necessary to change your 911 address in order to comply with the County addressing scheme.

Why will my address change?

There was a problem with your existing address and it was changed so that Emergency Responders could better locate you in the event of an Emergency. Your address may have changed for any one of the following reasons: Your address was out of sequence with respect to your neighbors. Addresses need to progress in sequence along the road and they should also be closely numbered to the addresses across the street.

Your address was on the wrong side of the street. Even numbered addresses should all be on one side of the street and odd numbered addresses on the other side.

Your address number was duplicated with another structure.

Your house is on a private drive with 2 or more other structures accessed off that same private drive.

Your road name/number designation needs to be changed.

Your address had to change as the result of other address changes.

Who should I notify about my address change?

Following are several common entities you will need to notify: Power Company and Utility Providers, Place of Employment, Insurance Company, DMV, Cell Phone Company, Cable Company, Newspapers, Bank, Magazines, Voter Registration, Property Tax Office, and Schools attended by your child/children.

What qualifies naming/numbering a road?

Any private drive with two or more residential or business structures is assigned an E-911 street name/number regardless of whether it is a private or public street or road.

My private drive is now named/numbered. Will the County now maintain the road?

No. The County named/numbered your road to make it easier to find in the event of an emergency. The County has not taken any ownership or any responsibility to maintain the road. The County will install and maintain the road sign.