

MAKING **your address** WORK FOR YOU

The Tama County Emergency

Management Agency is responsible for enforcing the Tama County Rural Addressing Ordinance (Tama County Ordinance IV.5).

This ordinance mandates the use of a uniform rural address system for residents of Tama County in order to promote the convenience, safety and general welfare of those residents and provides for a penalty.

How to post your 9-1-1 address -

Location of sign: On the county right-of-way, along the fence row and on the same side of the road as the house building. In no case shall the sign be closer than 15 feet from the edge of the road. Sign must be visible from both directions of travel.

Installation of Sign: -

Landowners are responsible for installation of their sign.

Every house or building site shall have a sign. If more than one house uses the same driveway, a sign shall be installed for each house. (Any apartment Landowner shall be responsible to clearly mark each and every apartment with a separate number/letter at the entrance.)

All signs shall be bolted on a 6 ft. steel post which is driven two feet in the ground.

Cost -

New residents will be notified of their E911 address by the EMA as requests are made.

All costs for the initial sign and post are covered by the E911 Board with surcharge funds.

Additional signs may be purchased through the Tama County Emergency Management Agency if needed.



What does the Tama County Emergency Management Agency do?

*911 Addressing

*911 Phone Database

*Public Safety Answering point for all of Tama County (Police/Fire/EMS)

*Administrative phone services for Courthouse complex, Sheriff and various other departments

*Ensure dispatchers are constantly at the 911 phones (24 hours a day, 365 days a year)

*Ensure all dispatchers are certified at or above state / federal requirements

*Maintain all required dispatcher certifications

*Teletype Services (vehicle, warrants, drivers license, backgrounds/criminal history, property)

*Documentation of all Calls For Service

*Radio dispatching of all Tama County Fire/EMS/Police

*Continuous monitoring of various local and state frequencies

*Maintain county Multi-Hazard plan

*Update at least 3 ESF's in county Multi-Hazard plan annually

*Maintain county Mitigation plan

*Maintain County Recovery plan

*Maintain county Hazardous Materials Plan

*Iowa minimum training requirements (112 or 88 hours per year)

*Plan and facilitate county HSEEP / NIMS compliant exercises annually

*NIMS training as needed for officials and emergency responders

*Ensure NIMS compliance

*Interface and training with Public Health

*Participation in regional Exercises

*NIMS annual report via NIMSCAST for all cities

- *EMPG grant for EMA funding
- *Review city or business emergency plans **as requested**
- *Assist in scheduling or providing trainings **as requested**
- *Update county hazard plan as needed / required
- *Participate on LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee)
- *Hazardous Materials Response with Regional Haz Mat Team
- *Constant monitoring of NWS for Tama County specific weather warnings/watches
- *Assist with Damage Assessments as requested
- *Ability to request state emergency / disaster response assets
- *Ability to aid in requesting a Presidential Disaster Declaration / funding
- *Ability to aid in requesting a State Disaster Declaration / funding
- *Ability to interface between municipal agencies and county/state/federal agencies
- *Provide Mobile Command Unit Trailer as requested for EOC
- *NIRG point of contact
- *State Homeland Security interface

*Keeping Tama County in compliance with the states requirements for emergency preparedness

*Keeping Tama County in compliance with federal requirements for emergency preparedness

Tama County Emergency Management Agency in your city-

The Tama County Emergency Management Agency only has the ability to level fines or take punitive measures within it's statutorily limited scope (911 address compliance).

The Tama County Emergency Management Agency only has operational authority, not enforcement or inspection, each jurisdiction within Tama County has autonomous authority within its boundaries.

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