

# WHAT MAKES AN ADA SIGN compliant?

A Tactile (raised text readable by touch) ADA Sign has basic requirements:

## RAISED TEXT

### Raised Characters

- Upper case **TEXT**
- Raised 1/32" min.
- Character Height: 5/8" - 2"
- Non-glare finish
- Contrast (light-on-dark or dark-on-light)
- San or "simple" serif

### Character Style

Examples of compliant styles

**ARIAL**  
**HELVETICA**  
**FUTURA**

### Character Style

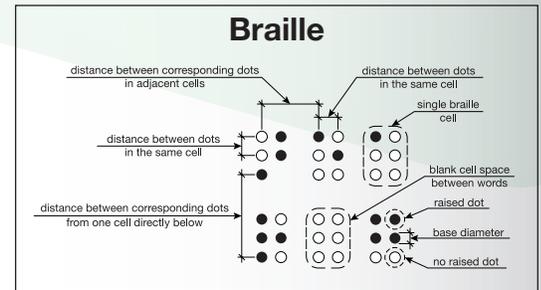
New standards specify "conventional form"

Prohibited:

*Italic*   *Oblique*   *script*  
**highly decorative**  
or other   *unusual forms*

## BRAILLE

- Cosco has certification to use Raster Grade 2 Braille
- Braille shall have a rounded or domed shape
- Braille is required to be directly below the raised text it translates. 3/8" min. - 1/2" max. spacing between the braille and raised text



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## HIGH COLOR CONTRAST

- Finish to be Non-Glare

### Contrast

Light-on-Dark or Dark-on-Light  
Contrast values not specified  
(the higher the better)

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examples of poor contrast

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## PICTOGRAMS

- There is a minimum 6" field area when using pictograms
- A 6"x 6" ADA restroom sign would not be compliant

### Pictograms

