

**Safety Signs**

We all know what safety signs are. But did you know that there are different categories of safety signs? In fact, safety signs can be divided into five different categories. Each category has its own distinctive features. Warning signs, prohibition signs, mandatory signs, fire safety signs and emergency signs can all be distinguished according to their shape and colour. The latter may also be referred to as safety signs.

Warning signs are triangular signs that alert the public of a particular danger. All warning signs have a yellow background and a black border. Prohibition signs are round and have a white background and a red border. They also have a cross-bar which signals that something is forbidden, e. g. smoking.

Round signs with a blue background and a white symbol showing what protective equipment must be worn, are known as mandatory signs. You can see them on every construction site and in every workshop.

Fire safety signs are square signs. They have a red background with a white symbol on it. They tell you where to find fire-fighting equipment.

Lastly, there are emergency signs (aka safety signs). These signs are rectangular or square. Emergency signs show a white symbol on a green background. Usually, their function is to direct the public towards the nearest useable emergency exit or first aid kit.

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Kategorie					
Form					
Verwendete Farben					
Aussage					