

frequently gather (such as schools or public playgrounds), shall be equipped with barriers to inhibit climbing by unqualified persons or posted with appropriate safety signs.

*EXCEPTION:* This rule does not apply where access to the supporting structure is limited by a fence meeting the height requirements of Rule 110A1.

*NOTE:* ANSI Z535.1-2006, ANSI Z535.2-2006, ANSI Z535.3-2006, ANSI Z535.4-2006, and ANSI Z535.5-2006 contain information regarding safety signs.

b. Steps

Steps permanently installed on supporting structures shall not be closer than 2.45 m (8 ft) from the ground or other accessible surface.

*EXCEPTION 1:* This rule does not apply where supporting structures are isolated.

*EXCEPTION 2:* This rule does not apply where access to the supporting structure is limited by a fence meeting the height requirements of Rule 110A1.

c. Standoff brackets

Standoff brackets on supporting structures shall be arranged so that there is not less than 2.45 m (8 ft) between either:

- (1) The lowest bracket and ground or other accessible surface, or
- (2) The two lowest brackets.

*EXCEPTION:* This rule does not apply where supporting structures are isolated.

3. Identification

Supporting structures, including those on bridges, on which supply or communication conductors are maintained shall be so constructed, located, marked, or numbered so as to facilitate identification by employees authorized to work thereon.

4. Obstructions

Signs, posters, notices, and other attachments shall not be placed on supporting structures without concurrence of the owner. Supporting structures should be kept free from other climbing hazards such as tacks, nails, vines, and through bolts not properly trimmed.

5. Decorative lighting

Attachment of decorative lighting on structures shall not be made without the concurrence of the owners and occupants.

B. Unusual conductor supports

Where line conductors are attached to structures other than those used solely or principally for their support, all rules shall be complied with as far as they apply. Such additional precautions as may be deemed necessary by the administrative authority shall be taken to avoid damage to the structures or injury to the persons using them. The supporting of conductors on trees and roofs should be avoided.

C. Protection and marking of guys

1. The ground end of anchor guys exposed to pedestrian traffic shall be provided with a substantial and conspicuous marker.

*NOTE:* Visibility of markers can be improved by the use of color or color patterns that provide contrast with the surroundings.

2. Where an anchor is located in an established parking area, the guy shall either be protected from vehicle contact or marked.

3. This rule does not require protection or marking of anchor guys located outside of the traveled ways of roadways or established parking areas.

*NOTE:* Experience has shown that it is not practical to protect guys from contact by out of control vehicles operating outside of established traveled ways.