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Pilot's Guide to Airport Signs and Markings

Airport Signs

B 4-22 — **TWY/RWY HOLDING POSITION:** Hold short of intersecting runway

25-7 — **RWY/RWY HOLD POSITION:** Hold short of intersecting runway

8-APCH — **RWY APCH HOLD POSITION:** Hold short of protected area when instructed by ATC

ILS — **ILS HOLD POSITION:** Hold short of ILS critical area when instructed by ATC

NO ENTRY: Identifies paved areas where aircraft entry is prohibited

B — **TAXIWAY LOCATION:** Identifies taxiway on which aircraft is located

22 — **RUNWAY LOCATION:** Identifies runway on which aircraft is located

4 — **RUNWAY DISTANCE REMAINING:** Identifies runway length remaining

RUNWAY BOUNDARY: Exit boundary from rwy protected area

ILS CRITICAL AREA BOUNDARY: Exit boundary of ILS critical area

L→ — **RUNWAY EXIT:** Defines direction & designation of exit twy from rwy

↖J — **TWY DIRECTION:** Defines direction & designation of intersecting taxiway(s)

22↑ — **OUTBOUND DESTINATION:** Defines direction to take-off runway

↖TERM — **INBOUND DESTINATION:** Indicates direction of destination, i.e. terminal or military area

TAXIWAY ENDING MARKER: Indicates that twy does not continue beyond this point

↙A G L→ — **DIRECTION SIGN ARRAY:** Identifies location in conjunction with multiple intersecting taxiways

Line Up and Wait has replaced *"Taxi Into Position and Hold"*. The new language permits entry onto the runway to await further instructions, but is not a take-off clearance.

If ever in doubt about a clearance or taxi instruction, do not hesitate to ASK FOR HELP!

ATCT Light Gun Signals

Color and Type of Signal	Aircraft on the Ground
STEADY GREEN	Cleared for Takeoff
FLASHING GREEN	Cleared to Taxi
STEADY RED	STOP
FLASHING RED	Taxi Clear of the Runway in Use
FLASHING WHITE	Return to Starting Point on Airport
ALTERNATING RED/GREEN	Exercise Extreme Caution

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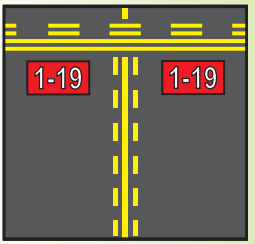
HOLDING POSITION: Hold short of intersecting rwy; also a land-and-hold-short marking

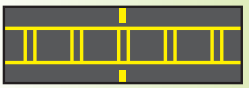
MOVEMENT AREA BOUNDARY: Defines boundary of movement area and non-movement area



HOLDING POSITION WITH ENHANCED TAXIWAY CENTERLINE: Alerts of an approaching runway

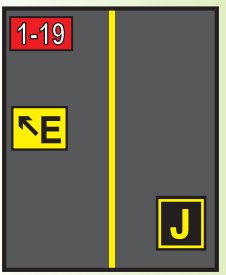
TAXIWAY/TAXIWAY HOLDING POSITION: Hold short of intersecting taxiway when directed by ATC

SOLID TAXIWAY EDGE: Defines edge of usable, full-strength taxiway pavement; adjoining pavement NOT usable



ILS CRITICAL AREA: Hold short when instructed by ATC

DASHED TAXIWAY EDGE: Defines edge of taxiway where adjoining pavement or apron IS available for taxi



SURFACE PAINTED HOLDING POSITION: Designates runway ahead in conjunction with yellow holding position marking

SURFACE PAINTED TAXIWAY DIRECTION: Direction & designation of intersecting twy

SURFACE PAINTED TAXIWAY LOCATION: Identifies twy on which aircraft is located

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