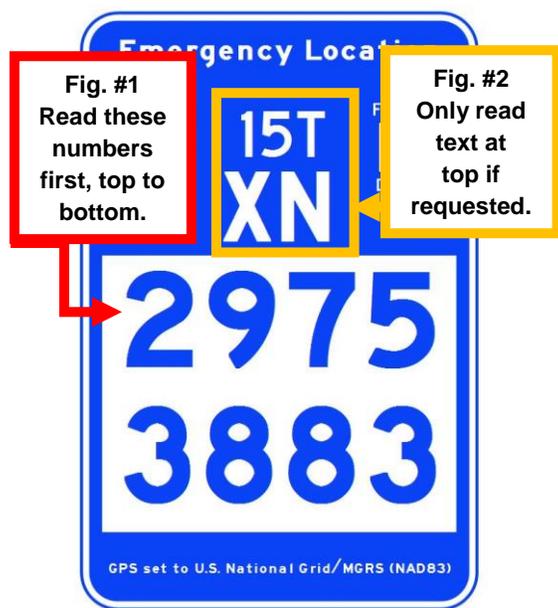


IN CASE OF EMERGENCY



1. Dial 911, tell them your emergency, and then read the 8 large numbers (**Fig. 1**) to describe your location. These numbers are USNG coordinates. If requested by the dispatcher, also read the small numbers and letters at the top (**Fig. 2**).
2. Dispatchers can then quickly transmit your location to multiple agencies and responders in the region. Responders will use the coordinates to locate your position.
3. Be patient. It may take some time for responders to reach you. In many cases, they will need to travel the same trails as you did to get to your location.

DOWNLOAD THIS SIGN

1. Open a web browser on your mobile device and search for USNGapp.org.
2. Save it as a favorite.
3. Turn on your "Location Services."
(Android: Settings/Connections/Location)
(iPhones: Settings/Privacy/Location services)
4. **You're ready to go! Your location marker will change with you as you move, giving you a current location.** The app is browser based, so it works even with no cell service. Just open it before you leave your service area, and the coordinates will continue by satellite while you travel.
5. For more info: www.USNGcenter.org

READING USNG WITH A GPS

1. Set your GPS to USNG and NAD 83.
2. Read only the first 4 digits (East and North) in the two groups after the letters. This will give your position within 30 feet.

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U.S. National Grid trail markers on GEGOKA-FLATHORN SKI TRAILS



The US National Grid (USNG) coordinate system is easy to use by anyone, anywhere, and is the national and Minnesota standard for search and rescue response. Download it on your mobile device and use it to tell where your friends where you are anytime.

The USNG system is based upon a kilometer grid, using NAD 83 datum, and is a civilian version of the Military Grid Reference System (MGRS) used since World War II.