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Airport Signs

- 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 
-  **OUTBOUND DESTINATION:** Defines direction to take-off runway
-  **TWY DIRECTION:** Defines direction & designation of intersecting taxiway(s)
-  **INBOUND DESTINATION:** Indicates direction of destination, i.e. terminal or military area
-  **TAXIWAY ENDING MARKER:** Indicates that twy does not continue beyond this point
-  **DIRECTION SIGN ARRAY:** Identifies location in conjunction with multiple intersecting taxiways

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



If ever in doubt while taxiing, ASK for help! "Line Up and Wait" has replaced the "position and hold" instruction for taxiing onto a runway to await takeoff clearance.

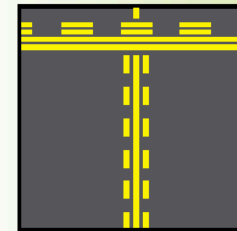
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Airport Markings



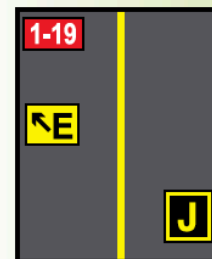
HOLDING POSITION: Hold short of intersecting rwy; also a land-and-hold-short marking



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



ILS CRITICAL AREA: Hold short when instructed by ATC



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



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



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



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



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Do You Know Your **SIGNS** & Markings?

Write the correct letter in each blank matching the description. Answers are at the bottom.



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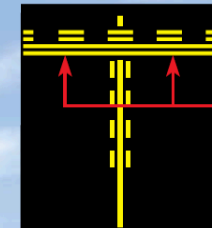
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Holding Position Marking



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1. ___ This sign identifies the runway on which your aircraft is currently located.
2. ___ This sign indicates thousands of feet remaining to the end of the runway.
3. ___ This marking means the runway or taxiway is closed.
4. ___ These lights outline the edges of a runway.
5. ___ This array is located at the intersection of two runways and a taxiway.
6. ___ This marking indicates where an aircraft is to hold before entering a runway.
7. ___ An aircraft that taxis past this sign may interfere with the navigational landing aid signals that an approaching aircraft is using.
8. ___ Stopping behind this marking will ensure wingtip clearance for aircraft on an intersecting taxiway.
9. ___ This painted marking indicates the edge of the ILS critical area. Ground control may ask you to hold short at this line if an aircraft is using the ILS.
10. ___ This sign alerts you that you are approaching a runway and, on a taxiway, is accompanied by a runway holding position marking.
11. ___ This sign indicates an area prohibited to aircraft.
12. ___ Taxiing past this sign may interfere with operations on the runway even though it is not located at a runway intersection.
13. ___ These lights outline the edges of a taxiway.
14. ___ These lights are sometimes installed on each side of a taxiway prior to its intersection with a runway.
15. ___ This sign identifies the taxiway you're currently on.
16. ___ This marking indicates the edge of a path for vehicle traffic on areas also intended for aircraft.
17. ___ This array indicates that you are approaching the intersection of two taxiways.
18. ___ This sign indicates the direction to a destination runway.
19. ___ This sign indicates an exit from a runway.
20. ___ This painted marking indicates the line between a movement area and a non-movement area on the airport.
21. ___ This enhanced taxiway marking indicates that you are approaching the holding position marking.

Runway Safety Placemat

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