

## HOW DO I FIND A WCR ADDRESS?

Weld County Road numbering systems may seem confusing, but there is some logic to it. Once you master the system, the only problem you will have is finding out which roads actually go through to the one you are looking for.

The first thing to remember is that the even-numbered go east to west and the odd-numbered roads go north to south. Secondly, each numbered road is one mile from the previous one and the numbers get larger as you go north or east. For example, WCR 13 goes north and south and is one mile east of WCR 11 and one mile west of WCR 15. WCR 18 goes east and west and is one mile north of WCR 16 and one mile south of WCR 20.

The roads in-between the mile roads are labeled as a fraction based on the distance from the lower numbered roads. If a road is  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile north of WCR 16, it would be WCR 16  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Most confusion begins when trying to locate a certain house number. There is some logic to this system, even though it may not be apparent.

To begin, determine whether you are looking for an odd or even numbered cross street. If your address is on an even-numbered road, you need to find the odd-numbered cross street and if you are looking for a house on an odd-numbered road, you need an even-numbered cross street.

Now comes the tricky part. Look at the address number and follow these directions:

1. Look at the number left after dropping the last three digits.
2. Double that number.
3. If you are looking for an odd-numbered cross road, add 1. If you are looking for an even-numbered cross road, add 2.
4. The result is the number of the cross street.

To further define where the property is, look at the rest of the address number. The next 2 digits (the second and third from the right) tell you how many hundredths of a mile from the cross street the property is located. The final digit (at the right) tells you what side of the street the property is on. Odd for north and west sides, even for south and east sides.

Now for an example: 6513 WCR 51.

1. Ignoring the last 3 digits leaves a 6.
2. Doubling the 6 gives us 12.

3. Since we are on an odd-numbered road we are looking for an even-numbered cross street, we add 2, giving us 14. This means the property is located north of WCR 14.

4. The next to digits (51) tell us the house is 51/100ths north and the 3 means it is on the west side of the road.

One other twist is now the municipalities are re-naming the county roads within their boundaries. Even though the street name changes, the numbering usually remains the same. For example, in Dacono, Frederick and Firestone, WCR 13 is known as Colorado Boulevard, but in those same communities, WCR 11 is called York Street, Silver Birch Blvd, and Birch Avenue, respectfully. If you need help with those areas, you can always stop by our office for a free local map.

Now you can amaze your friends by not having to ask directions when looking for that house out in the county.