Proper warning device placement is important for the protection of oncoming traffic and drivers; and correct placement varies depending on where the vehicle is stopped and the roadway type. In order to help alleviate confusion for drivers, below are guidelines for proper placement.

Two-lane Roadway:
- First device should be placed on the traffic side of the vehicle, 10 feet from rear.
- Second device should be placed 100 feet behind the vehicle.
- Third device should be placed 100 feet ahead of the vehicle, on the shoulder or in the lane where the vehicle is stopped.

One-way or Divided Highway:
- Devices should be placed at 10 feet, 100 feet, and 200 feet from rear of vehicle, toward approaching traffic (view pictorial for proper placement).

Hill, Curve, or Obstruction:
- One device should be placed 100 to 500 feet from the vehicle in the direction of the obstruction. The additional two should be placed according to the rules for roadway type.
- TIP: Practice by setting up the proper placement of emergency warning devices on your yard.