

New Road Signs

Description of Revision of Standards	Phase-in Compliance Dates	Previous Sign	New Sign(s)	Purpose, Guidance or Warning Provided by the Sign
Created two new "Yield Here to Pedestrian Signs"	Dec. 22, 2013	Not Applicable		<p>R1-5 Yield Here to Pedestrian Sign: If yield lines are used in advance of an unsignalized, marked mid-block crosswalk, this sign shall be placed 20 to 50 feet in advance of the nearest crosswalk line; or R1-5A Yield Here to Pedestrians sign: If yield lines are used in advance of an unsignalized, marked mid-block crosswalk, signs shall be placed 20 to 50 feet in advance of the nearest crosswalk line.</p>
Created new "Photo Enforced" signs	Dec. 22, 2013	Not applicable		<p>R10-18 Traffic Laws Photo Enforced: Sign may be installed at a jurisdictional boundary to advise road users that some of the traffic regulations within that jurisdiction are being enforced by photographic equipment.</p> <p>R10-19 Photo Enforced: A sign advising road users that the regulations associated with the condition being warned about, such as a traffic control signal, are being enforced by photographic equipment.</p>

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Increased the size of various warning signs to improve their visibility	Jan. 17, 2008		Image remains the same as the previous design, the size of the symbols and letters have simply been increased	<p>W4-1L Merging Traffic From the Left or W4-1R Merging Traffic From the Right signs: May be used to warn road users on the major roadway that merging movements might be encountered in advance of a point where lanes from two separate roadways converge as a single traffic lane and no turning conflict occurs. May also be installed on the side of the entering roadway to warn road users on the entering roadway of the merge condition.</p> <p>W5-2 Narrow Bridge Sign: Should be used in advance of any bridge or culvert having a two-way roadway clearance of 16-18 feet or less than the width of the approach travel lanes.</p> <p>W6-3 Two-Way Traffic Warning sign: This symbol sign may be used to give warning and notice of the transition to a two-lane, two-way section.</p> <p>W12-1 Double Arrow Warning Sign: May be used to advise road users that traffic is permitted to pass on either side of an island, obstruction or gore in the roadway. Traffic separated by this sign may either rejoin or change directions.</p>

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Increased the size of various warning signs to improve their visibility (arrows signs, truck runaway signs, low clearance signs, and advance grade crossing sign)	Dec. 22, 2013		Images remain the same as the previous designs, the size of the symbols and letters have simply been increased	<p>W1 series arrow signs, including the W1-2R Right Curve Warning sign pictured here: May be used in advance of situations where the horizontal roadway alignment changes.</p> <p>W7 series truck runaway signs, including the W7-1 Hill Warning Sign pictured here: Used in advance of a downgrade where the length, percent of grade, horizontal curvature, and/or other physical features require special precautions on the part of road users.</p> <p>W12-2P Low Clearance Warning Sign: Used to warn road users of clearances less than 12 inches above the statutory maximum vehicle height.</p> <p>W10-1 Railroad Crossing Advance Warning sign: Used on each highway in advance of every highway-rail grade crossing, except under specific circumstances.</p>
Created a new "Truck Rollover" warning sign	Dec. 22, 2013	Not applicable		<p>W1-13 Truck Rollover Warning Sign: May be used to warn drivers of vehicles with a high center of gravity, such as trucks, tankers and recreational vehicles, of a curve or turn having geometric conditions that are prone to cause such vehicles to lose control and overturn.</p>

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Eliminates the "Narrow Bridge" symbol sign that was not very well understood and replaces it with the "Narrow Bridge" text message sign	Dec. 22, 2013			<p>W5-2 Narrow Bridge sign: Used in advance of any bridge or culvert having a two-way roadway clearance width of 16 to 18 feet or any bridge or culvert having a roadway clearance less than the width of the approach travel lanes.</p>
Eliminates the "Pavement Ends" symbol sign that was not very well understood and replaces it with the "Pavement Ends" text message sign	Jan. 17, 2011			<p>W8-3 Pavement Ends sign: Used where a paved surface changes to either a gravel-treated surface or an earth road surface.</p>
Eliminates the "Shoulder" symbol signs that were not very well understood and replaces them with text message signs	Jan. 17, 2011	<p>Sample of previous shoulder symbol sign</p> 		<p>W8-4 Soft Shoulder sign: May be used to warn of a soft shoulder condition.</p> <p>W8-9 Low Shoulder sign: May be used to warn of a shoulder condition where there is an elevation difference of less than 3 inches between the shoulder and the travel lane; or W8-9A Shoulder Drop-off sign: Should be used when an unprotected shoulder drop-off, adjacent to the travel lane, exceeds 3 inches in depth for a significant continuous length along the roadway, based on engineering judgment.</p>

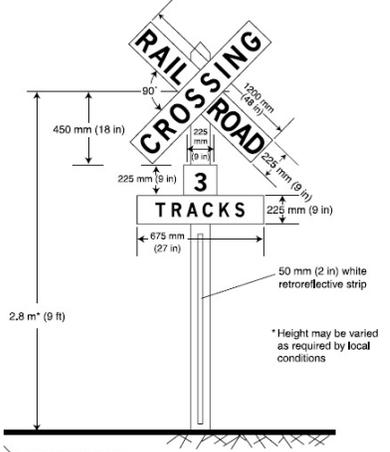
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Eliminates the previous black and white "Speed Reduction" signs and replaces them with two new yellow warning "Speed Reduction" sign designs	Dec. 22, 2018			<p>W3-5 Speed Reduction Warning Sign: Used to inform road users of a reduced speed zone when engineering judgment indicates the need for advance notice to comply with the posted speed limit ahead; or W3-5a Speed Reduction sign: Should be used to inform road users of a reduced speed zone when engineering judgment indicates the need for advance notice to comply with the posted speed limit ahead.</p>
Creates a new "Merge" sign to be used on a ramp that curves prior to merging with the major roadway	Dec. 22, 2013	Not applicable		<p>W4-5 Entering Roadway Merge sign: When a Merge sign is to be installed on an entering roadway that curves before merging with the major roadway, such as a ramp with a curving horizontal alignment as it approaches the major roadway, the Entering Roadway Merge sign should be used to better portray the actual geometric conditions to the road users on the entering roadway.</p>

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Creates a new "Added Lane" sign to be installed on a roadway that curves before converging with another roadway	Dec. 22, 2013	Not applicable		<p>W4-6 Entering Roadway Added Lane sign: When an Added Lane sign is to be installed on a roadway that curves before converging with another roadway that has a tangent alignment at the point of convergence, the Entering Roadway Added Lane sign should be used to better portray the actual geometric conditions to the road users on the curving roadway.</p>
Replaces an older design of the "Lane Ends" sign with a new design that includes a dashed line	Dec. 22, 2013			<p>W4-2 Right Lane Ends Ahead, Stay To the Left: The lane ends symbol sign should be used to warn of the reduction in the number of traffic lanes in the direction of travel on a multi-lane highway.</p>
Replaces an older circular "Intersection Warning" sign with a new design	Dec. 22, 2013			<p>W2-6 Circular or Roundabout Intersection Symbol Sign: The circular intersection symbol sign, accompanied by an educational Traffic Circle plaque may be installed in advance of a circular intersection.</p>

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Creates several new "Vehicular Traffic" symbol signs	Dec. 22, 2013	Not applicable		<p>W11-1 Bicycles Ahead/Crossing Warning Sign: Used to alert road users to locations where unexpected entries into the roadway by bicyclists might occur.</p> <p>W11-5 Farm Vehicles Ahead/Crossing Warning sign: May be used to alert road users to locations where unexpected entries into the roadway by farm vehicles might occur.</p> <p>W11-5a Farm Vehicles Ahead/Crossing Warning Signs: May be used to alert road users to locations where unexpected entries into the roadway by farm vehicles might occur.</p> <p>W11-6 Snowmobiles Ahead/Crossing Warning Sign: Used to alert road users in advance of locations where unexpected entries into the roadway or shared use of the roadway by snowmobiles might occur.</p> <p>W11-11 Golf Carts Ahead/Crossing Warning Sign: May be used to alert road users to locations where unexpected entries into the roadway by golf carts might occur.</p> <p>W11-14 Horse-drawn Vehicles Ahead/Crossing Warning: May be used to alert road users to locations where unexpected entries into the roadway by horse-drawn vehicles might occur.</p>

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Creates a new "Photo Enforced" plaque	Dec. 22, 2013	Not applicable		<p>W16-10 A Photo Enforced plaque: May be mounted below a warning sign to advise road users that the regulations associated with the condition being warned about, such as a traffic control signal, are being enforced by photographic equipment.</p>
Increases the symbol and letter sizes on the "Street Name" signs	Jan. 9, 2012 or Dec. 22, 2018		Image remains the same as the previous design, the size of the symbols and letters have simply been increased	<p>D3-1 Street Name sign: Installed in urban areas at all street intersections regardless of other route signs that may be present and should be installed in rural areas to identify important roads that are not otherwise signed.</p>
Adds two new general services signs	Dec. 22, 2018	Not applicable		<p>D12-5 Traveler Info Call 511: Advises motorists that by calling 511 on their phones they will receive access to traveler information.</p> <p>D12-3 Channel 9 Monitored sign: Informs motorists, in particular commercial vehicle operators, that the State Patrol or State Police are monitoring a CB channel that can be used to share emergency information.</p>

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Establishes a design for the enhanced reference location signs and intermediate enhanced reference location signs	Dec. 22, 2013	Not applicable		<p>D10-4 Reference Location sign: Commonly referred to as a mile marker sign, allows motorists to reference their location in an emergency.</p> <p>D10-5 Enhanced Reference Location sign: Commonly referred to as a partial mile marker sign, allows motorists in urban areas to more narrowly pinpoint their location.</p>
Eliminates the crosswalk lines from the "School Crosswalk" signs and requires use of a diagonal downward pointing arrow plaque	Jan. 17, 2011			<p>S1-1 and W16-7P School Crosswalk Warning Assembly: Should be installed in advance of locations where school buildings or grounds are adjacent to the highway, except where a physical barrier, such as fencing, separates school children from the highway.</p>
Creates a new "Reduced Speed School Zone" sign	Dec. 22, 2018	Not applicable		<p>S4-5 or S4-5A Reduced Speed School Zone Ahead signs: May be used to inform road users of a reduced speed zone when engineering judgment indicates that advance notice would be appropriate.</p>

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Requires the addition of a retroreflective strip on highway-rail grade crossing crossbuck supports	Jan. 17, 2011	Previous sign did not have a retroreflective strip on the support.		R15-1 and R15-2 Highway-Rail Grade Crossing (Crossbuck) signs: Identifies and directs a motorist's attention to the location of a highway-rail grade crossing and advises drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians to take appropriate action.
Deletes the diamond-shaped preferential lane symbol for bicycle lane signs and replaces it with a new sign design	Jan. 17, 2006			R3-17 Bike Lane sign: Shall be used only in conjunction with marked bicycle lanes and placed at periodic intervals along those lanes; or R3-17a AHEAD sign: Should be mounted directly below an R3-17 sign in advance of the beginning of a marked bicycle lane; or R3-17b ENDS sign: Should be mounted directly below an R3-17 sign at the end of a marked bicycle lane.
Eliminates the crosswalk lines from bicycle crossing warning signs and requires use of a diagonal downward pointing arrow supplemental plaque, if at the crossing	Jan. 17, 2011			W11-1 Bicycles Ahead/Crossing Warning Sign: Used to alert road users to locations where unexpected entries into the roadway by bicyclists might occur.