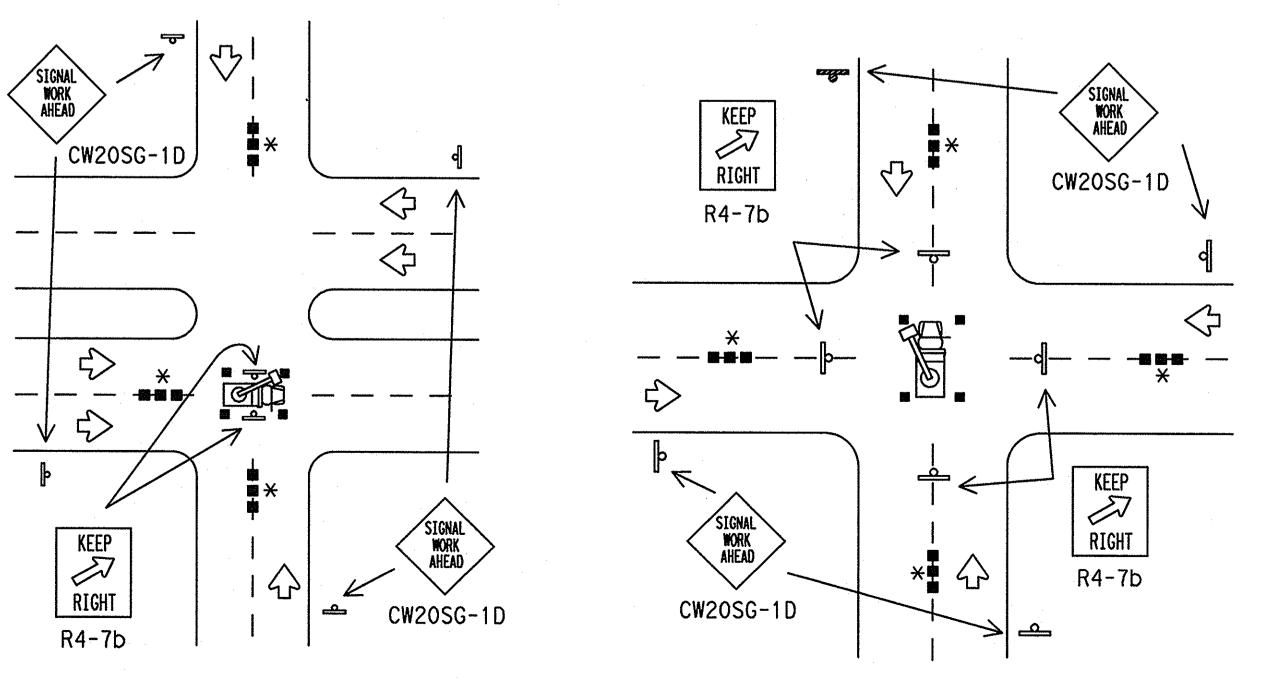


"ABOVE TRUCK" WORK PERFORMED BY BUCKET



GENERAL NOTES FOR WORK ZONE SIGNS

- Contractor shall install and maintain signs in a straight and plumb condition and/or as directed by the Engineer.
- Wooden sign posts shall be painted white.

Barricades shall NOT be used as sign supports.

Nails shall NOT be used to attach signs to any support.

5. All signs shall be installed in accordance with the plans or as directed by the Engineer. Signs shall be used to regulate, warn, and guide the traveling public safely through the work zone.

- 6. The Contractor may furnish either the sign design shown in the plans or in the "Standard Highway Sign Designs for Texas" (SHSD). The Engineer/Inspector may require the Contractor to furnish other work zone signs that are shown in the "Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices" (TMUTCD) but may have been omitted from the plans. Any variation in the plans shall be documented by written agreement between the Engineer and the Contractor's Responsible Person. All changes must be documented in writing before being implemented. This can include documenting the changes in the Inspector's TxDOT diary and having both the Inspector and Contractor initial and date the agreed upon changes. The additional signs requested by the Engineer/Inspector shall not be subsidiary.
- 7. The Contractor shall furnish sign supports listed in the "Compliant Work Zone Traffic Control Device List" (CWZTCD). The Contractor shall install the sign support in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. If there is a question regarding installation procedures, the Contractor shall furnish the Engineer a copy of the manufacturer's installation recommendations so that the Engineer can verify the correct procedures are being followed.
- The contractor is responsible for sign installations and replacing signs with damaged or cracked substrates and/or damaged or marred reflective sheeting as directed by the Engineer/Inspector.
- Identification markings may be shown only on the back of the sign substrate. The maximum height of letters and/or company logos used for identification shall be 1".
- 10. The Contractor shall replace damaged wood posts. New or damaged wood sign posts shall not be spliced.

Duration of Work (as defined by the TMUTCD Part 6)

The types of sign supports, the size of signs, and the type of sign substrates can vary based on the type of work being performed. The Engineer is responsible for selecting the appropriate size sign for the type of work being performed. The Contractor is responsible for ensuring that the sign support and substrate meets crashworthiness and length of work requirements.

- a. Long-term stationary is work that occupies a location more than 3 days.
- b. Intermediate-term stationary is work that occupies a location more than one daylight period up to 3 days, or nighttime work lasting more than 1 hour.
- c. Short-term stationary is daytime work that occupies a location for more than 1 hour, but less than 12 hours.
- d. Short duration is work that occupies a location up to 1 hour.
- e. Mobile is work that moves intermittently or continuously.

SIGN MOUNTING HEIGHT

- 1. The bottom of Long-term/Intermediate-term signs shall be at least 7 feet, but not more than 9 feet, above the paved surface.
- 2. The bottom of Short-term/Short Duration signs shall be a minimum of 1 foot above the pavement surface but no more than 2 feet above the ground.
- 3. Long-term/Intermediate-term Signs may be used in lieu of Short-term/Short Duration signing.
- 4. Short-term/Short Duration signs shall be used only during daylight and shall be removed at the end of the workday. 5. Regulatory signs shall be mounted at least 7 feet, but not more than 9 feet, above the paved surface regardless of work duration.

REMOVING OR COVERING

1. When sign messages may be confusing or do not apply, the signs shall be removed or completely covered.

- 2. Long-term stationary or intermediate stationary signs installed on square metal tubing may be turned away from traffic 90 degrees when the sign message is not applicable. This type of sign support meets the crashworthiness standards regardless of the direction of impact. This technique may not be used for signs installed in the median of divided highways or near any intersections where the sign may be seen from approaching traffic.
- 3. Signs installed on skids shall not be turned at 90 degree angles to the roadway. These signs should be removed or completely covered when not required.
- 4. When signs are covered, the material used shall be opaque, such as heavy mil black plastic.
- 5. Burlap shall NOT be used to cover signs.
- 6. Duct tape or other adhesive material shall NOT be affixed to a sign face. These materials can damage the retroreflectivity of sign sheeting.
- 7. Signs shall be removed upon completion of the work.

SIGN SUPPORT WEIGHTS

- 1. Where sign supports require the use of weights to keep from turning over, the use of sandbags with dry, cohesionless sand is recommended.
- 2. The sandbags will be tied shut to keep the sand from spilling and to maintain a constant weight.
- 3. Rock, concrete, iron, steel or other solid objects will not be permitted for use as sign support weights.
- 4. Sandbags should weigh a minimum of 35 lbs and a maximum of 50 lbs.
- 5. Sandbags shall be made of a durable material that tears upon vehicular impact.
- Rubber (such as tire inner tubes) shall NOT be used for sandbags.
- 7. Rubber ballasts (such as those used with cones or edgeline channelizers) shall NOT be used as sign support weights.
- 8. Sandbags shall only be placed along or laid over the base supports of the traffic control device and shall not be suspended above ground level or hung with rope, wire, chains or other fasteners. Sandbags shall be placed along the length of the skids to weigh down the sign support.
- 9. Sandbags shall NOT be placed under the skid and shall not be used to level sign supports placed on slopes.

Only pre-qualified products shall be used. A copy of the "Compliant Work Zone Traffic Control Devices List" (CWZTCD) describes pre-qualified products and their sources and may be obtained by contacting:

Standards Engineer Traffic Operations Division - TE Texas Department of Transportation 125 East 11th Street Austin. Texas 78701-2483 Phone (512) 416-3120 Fax (512) 416-3299

Instructions to locate the "CWZTCD" on TxDOT website are:

Start at website - www.dot.state.tx.us Click on "About TxDOT",

Click on "Organizational Chart",

Click on Traffic Operations Box,

Click on "Compliant Work Zone Traffic Control Devices",

Click on "View PDF".

This site is printable.

DEPARTMENTAL MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS

PLYWOOD SIGN BLANKS DMS-7100 DMS-7110 ALUMINUM SIGN BLANKS DMS-8300 FLAT SURFACE REFLECTIVE SHEETING DMS-8310 FLEXIBLE ROLL-UP REFLECTIVE SIGNS VINYL NON-REFLECTIVE SHEETING DMS-8320

USAGE

SHEETING MATERIAL

BACKGROUND ORANGE TYPE E (FLUORESCENT PRISMATIC) BACKGROUND TYPE C (HIGH SPECIFIC INTENSITY) LEGEND & BORDERS TYPE C (HIGH SPECIFIC INTENSITY) LEGEND & BORDERS VINYL NON-REFLECTIVE SHEETING

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