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TO: All Holders of "Sign Policy and Guidelines for the State Highway System"

SUBJECT: **Updates to "Sign Policy and Guidelines for the State Highway System"**

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[http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/TRAFFIC-ROADWAY/sign\\_policy.shtml](http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/TRAFFIC-ROADWAY/sign_policy.shtml)

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All Holders of "Sign Policy and Guidelines for the State Highway System"

**RE: APR. 2011 REVISIONS TO SIGN POLICY & GUIDELINES FOR THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM**

Enclosed with this cover letter are the most recent revisions to the "Sign Policy and Guidelines for the State Highway System." If you wish to receive extra copies for future updates or if you wish to be removed from the distribution list entirely, please contact Carolee Will at (503) 986-6938.

Sign No.	Page No.	Legend/Section	Revision
-----	3-1 thru 3-3	Regulatory Signs	Removed Sec. 2B.18 and its reference to use of REDUCED SPEED AHEAD sign (OR2-5). Edited text in Sec. 2B.32 with reference to KEEP RIGHT EXCEPT TO PASS sign (changed from OR4-3 to R4-16). Replaced reference to LAW REQUIRES SLOW MOVING VEHICLES TO USE TURNOUTS sign (OR4-14) with reference to SLOW VEHICLES MUST USE TURNOUT AHEAD sign (R4-13).
OR2-5	Delete 3-17	REDUCED SPEED AHEAD	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Use W3-5 or W3-5a instead.
OR2-6	Delete 3-20	END XX MPH SPEED ZONE	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Sign OR2-6a serves the same purpose.
OR3-3	Delete 3-24	NO TURNS	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R3-3 is the same design.
OR3-11	Delete 3-36	RIGHT TURN PERMITTED WITHOUT STOPPING	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R1-10P conveys the same message.
OR4-3	Delete 3-45	KEEP RIGHT EXCEPT TO PASS	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R4-16 is the same design.
OR4-14	Delete 3-57	LAW REQUIRES SLOW VEHICLES TO USE TURNOUTS	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. New Federal standard (R4-13) is available.
OR5-1	Delete 3-65	DO NOT ENTER	Deleted. This sign was originally designed for interior illuminated application. That is no longer a practice on our state highway system.
OR6-2L	Delete 3-80	ONE WAY (Left Arrow)	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R6-2L is the same design.
OR6-2R	Delete 3-81	ONE WAY (Right Arrow)	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R6-2R is the same design.
OR8-1A	Delete 3-102	NO PARKING TOW AWAY ZONE	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Use R8-3 or R8-3a instead, with R7-201aP as a rider.
OR8-8	Delete 3-104	NO PARKING ON HIGHWAY SHOULDERS	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R8-1 conveys the same

			message.
OR10-10L OR10-10R	Delete 3-106	LEFT (RIGHT) TURN SIGNAL	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R10-10 is available, if needed.
OR10-11A	Delete 3-107a	NO TURN ON RED	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R10-11a is the same design.
OR10-12	Delete 3-108	LEFT TURN YIELD ON GREEN (Ball)	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R10-12 is the same design.
OR11-2	Delete 3-108b	STREET CLOSED	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R11-2 conveys the same message.
OR11-4	Delete 3-108c	STREET CLOSED TO THRU TRAFFIC	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R11-4 conveys the same message.
OR16-1	Delete 3-124	TURN ON LIGHTS	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R16-8 conveys the same message.
OR16-2	Delete 3-125	LIGHTS	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R16-9 conveys the same message.
OR16-4	Delete 3-127	UNLAWFUL TO PASS WHEN RED LIGHTS FLASH	Deleted. This is not a highway sign and doesn't belong in a manual for signing on the State Highway System.
OR20-3	Delete 3-149	ONE VEHICLE PER GREEN	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R10-28 is the same design.
OR21-2	Delete 3-161	DIVING FROM BRIDGE PROHIBITED	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Use sign OR21-2a instead.
OR22-13	Delete 3-178	AUTHORIZED AND EMERGENCY VEHICLES ONLY	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R5-11 conveys the same message.
OR22-25L	Delete 3-195	STOP HERE FOR PEDS (Symbol) w/Rt. arrow	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal signs R1-5b and R1-5c convey the same message.
OR22-25R	Delete 3-196	STOP HERE FOR PEDS (Symbol) w/Lt. arrow	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal signs R1-5b and R1-5c convey the same message.
OW1-8L	Delete 4-10	Freeway Curve Left Advisory Speed	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Using Federal sign W1-2a or signs W1-2L and W13-1P together conveys the same message.
OW1-8R	Delete 4-11	Freeway Curve Right Advisory Speed	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Using Federal sign W1-2a or signs W1-2R and W13-1P together conveys the same message.
OW1-9L	Delete 4-12	Freeway Reversing Curve Left Advisory Speed	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Using Federal signs W1-4L and W13-1P together conveys the same message.
OW1-9R	Delete 4-13	Freeway Reversing Curve Right Advisory Speed	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Using Federal signs W1-4R and W13-1P together conveys the same message.
OW7-3A	Delete 4-28	NEXT XX MILES rider	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Using Federal rider W7-3aP conveys the same message.
OW8-12	Delete 4-41	TIPPING TRUCK (Symbol)	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign W1-13 conveys the same message.

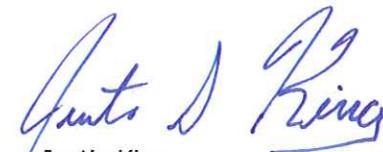
OW11-5	Delete 4-47	ELK (Symbol)	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign W11-20 conveys the same message.
OW14-1A	Delete 4-60	DEAD END w/arrow	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign W14-1a is the same design.
OW14-2A	Delete 4-61	NO OUTLET w/arrow	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign W14-2a is the same design.
OW15-3	Delete 4-67	ROCKS	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign W8-14 conveys the same message.
OW15-4	Delete 4-68	TRUCKS	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal signs W8-6 and W11-10 convey the same message.
OW15-7	Delete 4-71	DRAW BRIDGE	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign W3-6 is the same design.
OW17-2	Delete 4-94	STEEL GRID DECK (Symbol) w/Educational Plaque	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign W8-16 conveys the same message.
OD27-1	Delete 5-31	BUCKLE-UP OREGON	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Sign OR22-3 serves the same purpose.
ORM-170	Delete 5-39	WILDLIFE VIEWING (Binoculars) Symbol	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign RS-076 is the same design.
D-446	Delete 5-75	LIGHTS	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R16-9 conveys the same message.
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OM3-1	Delete 5-87	NORTH	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign M3-1 is the same design.
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OM3-3	Delete 5-89	SOUTH	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign M3-3 is the same design.
OM3-4	Delete 5-90	WEST	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign M3-4 is the same design.
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OM3-2 (Interstate)	Delete 5-92	EAST (Interstate)	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign M3-2 (Interstate) is the same design.
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OM3-4 (Interstate)	Delete 5-94	WEST (Interstate)	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign M3-4 (Interstate) is the same design.
OI7-2	Delete 5-98	INFO CENTER	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign D9-10 conveys the same message.
OI7-5	Delete 5-102	Various Arrow Boards	Deleted. Signs no longer needed. Standard (M6 Series) arrow boards can be used. Vary color as needed.
OI7-5A	Delete 5-103	¼ MILE Recreational Rider	Deleted. No reason to have this in Sign Policy & Guidelines. Riders can be customized, as needed, to fit the

			purpose.
OI7-20 OI7-21	Delete 5-108	LEFT (RIGHT) ½ ( ¼ ) MILE Recreational Riders	Deleted. No reason to have this in Sign Policy & Guidelines. Riders can be customized, as needed, to fit the purpose.
OI7-22	Delete 5-109	NEXT LEFT Recreational Rider	Deleted. No reason to have this in Sign Policy & Guidelines. Riders can be customized, as needed, to fit the purpose.
OI7-23	Delete 5-109a	NEXT EXIT Recreational Rider	Deleted. No reason to have this in Sign Policy & Guidelines. Riders can be customized, as needed, to fit the purpose.
D-475	Delete 5-143	ATTENDANT OF THE OPPOSITE SEX MAY ACCOMPANY .....	Deleted. This is not a highway sign and doesn't belong in a manual for signing on the State Highway System.
D-487	Delete 5-153	EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES w/arrow	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal signs D9-13 and D9-13cP convey the same message.
CG20-4	6-6	END WORK AREA	Revised sheet. No need to have multiple options for this. END ROAD WORK (CG20-2A) is the preferred sign for this application.
CR4-20	6-21	WAIT FOR PILOT CAR	New Sheet. This sign may be used instead of flagger control on side roads intersecting state highways, under various conditions.
OS5-2	Delete 7-25	END SCHOOL ZONE	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign S5-2 is the same design.
OBR10-10	Delete 8-15	PUSH BUTTON BEFORE ENTERING TUNNEL (Bicycle)	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign R10-25 conveys a message that will work for bikes in tunnels, as well as for other scenarios.
OBR10-12	Delete 8-17	PUSH BUTTON FOR BIKE CROSSING w/arrow	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal signs R10-24 and R10-26 convey the same message.
OBW12-2	Delete 8-65	LOW CLEARANCE Symbol (Bicycle)	Deleted. Sign no longer needed. Federal sign W12-2 conveys the same message.
OBW16-1	Delete 8-71	KEEP RIGHT (Bicycle)	Deleted. Warning message not appropriate. Use Federal sign R4-16 if needed to remind cyclists to keep to the right.

If you have any revisions, changes, or comments, please send them to:

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## Chapter 3: Regulatory Signs

### 2B.13 Speed Limit Sign (R2-1)

All signs posting the designated speed or speed limit per ORS 811.105 and ORS 811.111 may use the SPEED XX (OR2-1) sign. This includes truck speed restrictions, school speed zones, and other special speed restrictions allowed by law as well as the designated speed or speed limit by statute, rule, or written order.

Minimum size of SPEED XX sign on State Highways 30" x 36"  
Except 24" x 30" with S4-2, S4-3 & OS4-8 may be used in school zones

In keeping with legislative changes which establish speeds on interstate highways as speed limits (see ORS 810.180), all speed signs installed on Oregon interstates shall be SPEED LIMIT XX (R2-1) signs. This applies only to interstates (I-5, I-82, I-84, I-105, I-205 and I-405) and not to other state highways.

On state highways all speed signs installed at school zones shall be SPEED LIMIT 20 (R2-1) signs.

### 2B.21 Mandatory Movement Lane Control Signs (R3-5, R3-5a, and R3-7)

When used overhead, the Mandatory Movement Lane Control Signs shall require either interior illumination or ASTM Type IX sheeting background. The borders on these signs can be eliminated if interior illumination is used.

### 2B.22 Optional Movement Lane Control Sign (R3-6)

When used overhead, the Optional Movement Lane Control Sign shall require either interior illumination or ASTM Type IX sheeting background. The border on these signs can be eliminated if interior illumination is used.

### 2B.32 Slow Moving Traffic Lane Signs (R4-5, R4-6)

The normal signing where an extra lane has been constructed to provide opportunities to pass is as follows:

1. PASSING LANE ONE MILE (OR4-10) may be installed to advise motorists of a passing lane approximately the designated distance ahead. It should not be used in advance of a slow moving vehicle turnout.  
Minimum Size 60" x 48"
2. DO NOT PASS (R4-1) should be installed approximately 1000 feet in advance of the taper that begins the passing lane.  
Minimum Size 36" x 48"

3. KEEP RIGHT EXCEPT TO PASS (R4-16) should be installed where the passing lane attains full width or at the beginning of the first skip stripe.  
Minimum Size 36" x 48"
4. RIGHT LANE ENDS (W9-1R) should be installed approximately 1000 feet in advance of the taper that ends the passing lane. Another RIGHT LANE ENDS may be installed on the left, approximately opposite.  
Minimum Size 36" x 36"
5. Pavement Width Transition (W4-2R) should be installed approximately 500 feet beyond the RIGHT LANE ENDS. Another Pavement Width Transition sign may be installed, approximately opposite.  
Minimum 36" x 36"
6. PASS WITH CARE (R4-2) may be installed in the two-lane section approximately 1000 feet beyond the end of the taper (if sight distance is adequate to permit passing).  
Minimum Size 24" x 30"
7. YIELD CENTER LANE TO UPHILL TRAFFIC (OR4-11) may be installed facing downhill traffic at the point where the downhill no passing zone ends. A DO NOT PASS (R4-1) may be installed, on each side of the roadway if necessary, facing downhill traffic at the beginning of the next downhill no passing zone.  
Minimum Size 60" x 36"
8. YIELD CENTER LANE TO OPPOSING TRAFFIC (OR4-11A) may be installed on level two-lane, two-way roadways with a passing lane for one direction. When used, the sign shall face the direction of travel opposite that of the passing lane. Additional signs may be installed throughout the section but not closer together than ½ mile.  
Minimum Size 60" x 36"

### Slow Moving Vehicle Turnouts

Slow moving vehicle turnouts shall be signed only as shown and as listed below. The normal signing for a slow moving vehicle turnout is as follows:

1. SLOW MOVING VEHICLE TURNOUT 1/2 MILE (OR4-13) is used at approximately the designated distance in advance of the turnout.  
Minimum Size 48" x 60"
2. SLOW VEHICLES MUST USE TURN-OUT AHEAD (R4-13) is used approximately 500 feet in advance of the turnout.  
Minimum Size 72" x 36"

3. SLOW MOVING VEHICLE TURNOUT with a 45° arrow (OR4-15) is used at the beginning of the turnout.

Minimum Size 48" x 60"

2B.34 DO NOT ENTER Sign (R5-1)

Minimum Size 36" x 36"

Lane Restriction Signs

ONE WAY TRAFFIC FOR TRUCKS OR BUSES (OR5-11) should be ahead of or at the start of a narrow section of roadway which is not wide enough to permit two large vehicles to pass in opposite directions but will allow one large vehicle and a car or other small vehicle to pass.

The ONE WAY TRAFFIC FOR TRUCKS OR BUSES may be used as a rider under the NARROW BRIDGE (W5-2) sign.

Minimum Size 36" x 36"

2B.37 One Way Signs (R6-1, R6-2)

The horizontal ONE WAY arrow (R6-1) should be used for signing one-way streets and roads. The vertical rectangular ONE WAY (R6-2) should be used for interior illuminated signs.

2B.42 Emergency Restriction Signs (R8-4, R8-7, R8-8)

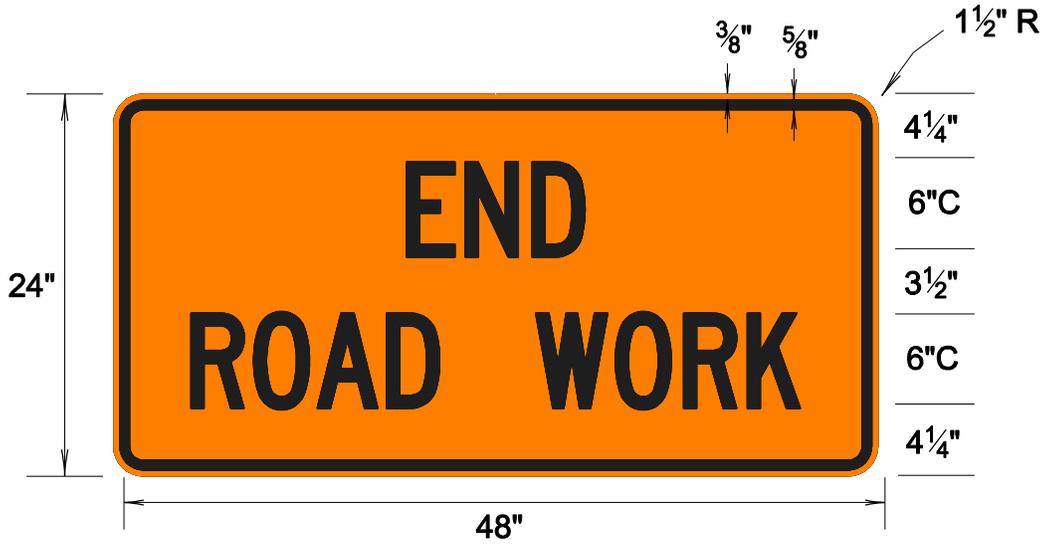
EMERGENCY PARKING ONLY (R8-4) and EMERGENCY STOPPING ONLY (R8-7) may be used to reserve the shoulder for emergency use.

Minimum Size 48" x 36"

2B.45 Traffic Signal Signs (R10-1 thru R10-21)

The LEFT ON GREEN ARROW ONLY Sign (R10-5) and the EMERGENCY SIGNAL Sign (R10-13) shall be placed next to the signal head(s) to which they refer. Each sign requires either interior illumination or ASTM Type IX sheeting background. The borders on these signs can be eliminated if interior illumination is used.

Sign No. CG20-2A



**Sign Background:** Orange, Retro-Reflective sheeting

**Sign Legend:** Black, Non-reflective

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The END ROAD WORK sign (CG20-2A) should be erected approximately 500 feet beyond the end of the work area.

G20-2 sign from the MUTCD may be used on low speed roads or off the state highway system.

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Sign No. CR4-20



**Sign Background:** White, Reflective Sheeting

**Sign Legend:** Black, Non- Reflective

If the entering traffic volume is low the WAIT FOR PILOT CAR sign may be posted instead of flagger control on side roads intersecting state highways when a pilot car is used to guide traffic through the project provided:

- Vehicles are not held or stopped for more than 20 minutes per section 220.02 of the Oregon Standard Specifications for Construction.

And the following conditions exist on the side road:

- Dead-end residential neighborhoods or local side streets that meet the following:
  - No alternate access is available; and,
  - Less than 100 A.D.T.
- No businesses located on the road/street.
- No access to public facilities (e.g. parks).
- No access to public service generators (e.g. water treatment plants).

Private residential driveways are addressed through the public notification process (door hangers, fliers).

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