

# National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices

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National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (NCUTCD)

Recommended Changes to Proposed Text for 11<sup>th</sup> Edition of the MUTCD

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**NPA MUTCD Section Number:** Sections 6G.01 to 6G.12

**Legend:** Base text shown in proposal is the NPA "clean" proposed text.

• NCUTCD recommendation for text to be added in final rule.

• NCUTCD recommendation for text to be deleted in final rule.

• NCUTCD recommendation for text to be moved/relocated in final rule.

• NPA text that was not previously approved by NCUTCD but is now approved.

• Explanatory note: [Note that explains purpose of recommended change.]

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The following pages present NCUTCD recommendations for changes to the MUTCD NPA proposed text, tables, and figures for Chapter 6G. Below is a short summary of the NCUTCD position for each section of this chapter. A more detailed summary is provided at the beginning of each section.

- NPA #N/A, Section 6G.01: NCUTCD agrees with NPA content (no changes recommended)
- NPA #N/A, Section 6G.02: Changes recommended based on Council action in spring 2021
- NPA #N/A, Section 6G.03: NCUTCD agrees with NPA content (no changes recommended)
- NPA # N/A, Section 6G.04: NCUTCD agrees with NPA content (no changes recommended)
- NPA # N/A, Section 6G.05: NCUTCD agrees with NPA content (no changes recommended)
- NPA #N/A, Section 6G.06: NCUTCD agrees with NPA content (no changes recommended)
- NPA #481, Section 6G.07: NCUTCD agrees with NPA content (no changes recommended)
- NPA #N/A, Section 6G.08: NCUTCD agrees with NPA content (no changes recommended)
- NPA #N/A, Section 6G.09: NCUTCD agrees with NPA content (no changes recommended)
- NPA #482, Section 6G.10: NCUTCD agrees with NPA content (no changes recommended)
- NPA #483, Section 6G.11: Changes recommended based on Council action in spring 2021
- NPA #N/A, Section 6G.12: Changes recommended based on Council action in spring 2021

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#### **CHAPTER 6G. TTC ZONE REGULATORY SIGNS**

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**Section 6G.01 Comments:** NCUTCD agrees with 6G.01 as presented in the NPA.

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#### Section 6G.01 Regulatory Sign Authority

Support:

Regulatory signs such as those shown in Figure <u>6G-1</u> inform road users of traffic laws or regulations and indicate the applicability of legal requirements that would not otherwise be apparent.

Regulatory signs shall be authorized by the public agency or official having jurisdiction and shall conform with Chapter 2B.

Section 6G.02 Comments: NCUTCD generally agrees with 6G.02 as presented in the NPA, but recommends revising the title of the SHS in first Standard to "Standard Highway Signs" publication'.

Section 6G.02 Regulatory Sign Design Standard:

TTC regulatory signs shall comply with the Standards for regulatory signs presented in Part 2 and in the FHWA's "Standard Highway Signs and Markings" book publication (see Section 1A.05). [edit title]

Standard:

- Edit the title to 'Regulatory Signs Used in TTC Zones'
- Edit the table for the correct R4-9a designation for the Stay In Lane to Merge Point sign

## Regulatory Signs used in TTC Zones Table 6G-1. Temporary Traffic Control Zone Sign and Plaque Sizes

Table 65 1. Temperary Traine Control 2010 Orgin and Traque Orzeo							
Sign or Plaque	Sign Designation	Section	Conventional Road	Freeway or Expressway	Minimum		
Stop	R1-1	6G.02	30 x 30*	_	_		
Stop (on Stop/Slow Paddle)	R1-1	6D.02	18 x 18	_	_		
Yield	R1-2	6G.02	36 x 36 x 36*	_	30 x 30 x 30		
To Oncoming Traffic (plaque)	R1-2aP	6G.02	36 x 30	48 x 36	24 x 18		
Wait on Stop	R1-7	6L.03	24 x 30	24 x 30	_		
Go on Slow	R1-8	6L.03	24 x 30	24 x 30	_		
Speed Limit	R2-1	6G.08	24 x 30*	36 x 48			
Fines Higher (plaque)	R2-6P	6G.08	24 x 18	36 x 24	-		
Fines Double (plaque)	R2-6aP	6G.08	24 x 18	36 x 24	_		
\$XX Fine (plaque)	R2-6bP	6G.08	24 x 18	36 x 24	-		
Begin Higher Fines Zone	R2-10	6G.08	24 x 30	36 x 48	_		
End Higher Fines Zone	R2-11	6G.08	24 x 30	36 x 48	_		
End Work Zone Speed Limit	R2-12	6G.08	24 x 36	36 x 54			
Movement Prohibition	R3-1,2,3,4,18,27	6G.02	24 x 24*	36 x 36	_		
Mandatory Movement (1 lane)	R3-5	6G.02	30 x 36	_			
Optional Movement (1 lane)	R3-6	6G.02	30 x 36	_	_		
Right (Left) Lane Must Turn Right (Left)	R3-7	6G.02	30 x 30*	_	_		
Advance Intersection Lane Control	R3-8	6G.02	Varies x 30	_	_		
Do Not Pass	R4-1	6G.02	24 x 30	36 x 48	_		
Pass With Care	R4-2	6G.02	24 x 30	36 x 48	_		
Keep Right	R4-7	6G.02	24 x 30	36 x 48			
Narrow Keep Right	R4-7c	6G.02	18 x 30	_	_		
Stay in Lane	R4-9	6G.07	24 x 30	36 x 48			
Do Not Enter	R5-1	6G.02	30 x 30*	36 x 36	-		
Wrong Way	R5-1a	6G.02	36 x 24*	42 x 30			
One Way	R6-1	6G.02	36 x 12*	54 x 18	_		
One Way	R6-2	6G.02	24 x 30*	36 x 48	_		
No Parking (symbol)	R8-3	6G.02	24 x 24	36 x 36	_		
Stay In Lane	R9-4	6G.07	24 x 30	36 x 48			
Stay In Lane To Merge Point	R4-9a R9-4a	6G.07	36 x 48	36 x 48			
Pedestrian Crosswalk	R9-8	6G.09	36 x 18	_			
Sidewalk Closed	R9-9	6G.10	24 x 12	_	_		
Sidewalk Closed, Use Other Side	R9-10	6G.10	24 x 12	_	_		
Sidewalk Closed Ahead, Cross Here	R9-11	6G.10	24 x 18	_	_		
Sidewalk Closed, Cross Here	R9-11a	6G.10	24 x 12	_	_		
Road Closed	R11-2	6G.04	48 x 30	_	_		
Road Closed - Local Traffic Only	R11-3a,3b,4	6G.05	60 x 30	_	_		
Weight Limit	R12-1,2	6G.06	24 x 30	36 x 48	_		
Weight Limit (with symbols)	R12-5	6G.06	24 x 36	36 x 48	_		
Turn Off 2-Way Radio and Cell Phone	R22-2	6G.11	42 x 36	42 x 36	_		

<sup>\*</sup> See Table 2B-2 for minimum size required for signs facing traffic on multi-lane conventional roads

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Notes: 1. Larger signs may be used wherever necessary for greater legibility or emphasis

<sup>2.</sup> Dimensions are shown in inches and are shown as width x height

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Edit the figure for the correct R4-9a designation for the Stay In Lane to Merge Point sign
Revise the table to include signs referenced in the individual sections in Chapter 6G (see

table below)

Section	Signs which are referenced in the individual Chapter 6G sections to Figure 6G-1 that are not shown in the figure
6G.04	R11-2
6G.05	R11-3a
6G.06	R12-1, R12-2, R12-5
6G.07	G20-5aP, R2-12, R2-10, R2-11
6G.08	R2-6P, R2-6aP, R2-6bP
6G.09	R9-8
6G.10	R9-9, R9-10, R9-11, R9-11a

Figure 6G-1. Examples of Other Regulatory Signs Used in TTC Zones



Note: See Chapter 2G for information on the application of these signs.

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#### Section 6G.03 Comments: NCUTCD agrees with 6G.03 as presented in the NPA.

74 Section 6G.03 Regulatory Sign Applications

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If a TTC zone requires regulatory measures different from those existing, the existing permanent regulatory devices shall be removed or covered and superseded by the appropriate temporary regulatory signs. This change shall be made in compliance with applicable ordinances or statutes of the jurisdiction.

#### **Section 6G.04 Comments:** NCUTCD agrees with 6G.04 as presented in the NPA.

#### Section 6G.04 ROAD (STREET) CLOSED Sign (R11-2)

**Section 60** *Guidance:* 

The ROAD (STREET) CLOSED (R11-2) sign (see Figure 6G-1) should be used when the roadway is closed to all road users except contractors' equipment or officially authorized vehicles. The R11-2 sign should be accompanied by appropriate warning and detour signing. Option:

The words BRIDGE OUT (or BRIDGE CLOSED) may be substituted for ROAD (STREET) CLOSED where applicable.

Guidance:

The ROAD (STREET) CLOSED sign should be installed at or near the center of the roadway on or above a Type 3 Barricade that closes the roadway (see Section <u>6K.07</u>).

Standard:

The ROAD (STREET) CLOSED sign shall not be used where road user flow is maintained through the TTC zone with a reduced number of lanes on the existing roadway or where the actual closure is some distance beyond the sign.

#### **Section 6G.05 Comments:** NCUTCD agrees with 6G.05 as presented in the NPA.

### Section 6G.05 Local Traffic Only Signs (R11-3a, R11-4)

**Section 60** 104 *Guidance:* 

The Local Traffic Only signs (see Figure <u>6G-1</u>) should be used where road user flow detours to avoid a closure some distance beyond the sign, but where local road users can use the roadway to the point of closure. These signs should be accompanied by appropriate warning and detour signing.

In rural applications, the Local Traffic Only sign should have the legend ROAD CLOSED
 XX MILES AHEAD, LOCAL TRAFFIC ONLY (R11-3a).

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In urban areas, the legend ROAD (STREET) CLOSED TO THRU TRAFFIC (R11-4) or ROAD CLOSED, LOCAL TRAFFIC ONLY may be used.

In urban areas, a word message that includes the name of an intersecting street name or well-known destination may be substituted for the words XX MILES AHEAD on the R11-3a sign where applicable.

The words BRIDGE OUT (or BRIDGE CLOSED) may be substituted for the words ROAD (STREET) CLOSED on the R11-3a or R11-4 sign where applicable.

#### Section 6G.06 Comments: NCUTCD agrees with 6G.06 as presented in the NPA.

Section 6G.06 Weight Limit Signs (R12-1, R12-2, R12-5) Standard:

A Weight Limit sign (see Figure <u>6G-1</u>), which shows the gross weight or axle weight that is permitted on the roadway or bridge, shall be consistent with State or local regulations and shall not be installed without the approval of the authority having jurisdiction over the highway.

When weight restrictions are imposed because of the activity in a TTC zone, a marked detour shall be provided for vehicles weighing more than the posted limit.

#### **Section 6G.07 Comments:** NCUTCD agrees with 6G.07 as presented in the NPA.

#### Section 6G.07 STAY IN LANE Signs (R4-9, R4-9a)

A STAY IN LANE (R4-9) sign (see Figure <u>6G-1</u>) may be used where a multi-lane shift has been incorporated as part of the TTC on a highway to direct road users around road work that occupies part of the roadway on a multi-lane highway.

140 <u>Guidance:</u>141 *A STA*)

Option:

A STAY IN LANE TO MERGE POINT (R4-9a) (see Figure 6G-1) should be used during late merge operations to use all available lanes until the merge point is reached.

#### **Section 6G.08 Comments:** NCUTCD agrees with 6G.08 as presented in the NPA.

# Section 6G.08 Work Zone and Higher Fines Signs and Plaques Option:

A WORK ZONE (G20-5aP) plaque (see Figure <u>6G-1</u>) may be mounted above a Speed Limit sign to emphasize that a reduced speed limit is in effect within a TTC zone. An END WORK ZONE SPEED LIMIT (R2-12) sign (see Figure <u>6G-1</u>) may be installed at the downstream end of the reduced speed limit zone.

153 Guidance:

A BEGIN HIGHER FINES ZONE (R2-10) sign (see Figure <u>6G-1</u>) should be installed at <u>or near</u> the <u>beginning</u> of a work zone where increased fines are imposed for traffic violations, and an END HIGHER FINES ZONE (R2-11) sign (see Figure <u>6G-1</u>) should be installed at <u>or near</u> the downstream end of the <u>TTC</u> zone.

158 Option:

Alternate legends such as BEGIN (or END) DOUBLE FINES ZONE may also be used for the R2-10 and R2-11 signs.

A FINES HIGHER, FINES DOUBLE, or \$XX FINE plaque (see Section 2B.<u>27</u> and Figure <u>6G-1</u>) may be mounted below the Speed Limit sign if increased fines are imposed for traffic violations within the TTC zone.

Individual signs and plaques for work zone speed limits and higher fines may be combined into a single sign or may be displayed as an assembly of signs and plaques.

#### Section 6G.09 Comments: NCUTCD agrees with 6G.09 as presented in the NPA.

#### Section 6G.09 PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK Sign (R9-8)

170 Section171 Option:

The PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK (R9-8) sign (see Figure <u>6G-1</u>) may be used to indicate where a temporary crosswalk has been established.

Standard:

If a temporary crosswalk is established, it shall be accessible to pedestrians with disabilities in accordance with Section 6C.03.

#### Section 6G.10 Comments: NCUTCD agrees with 6G.10 as presented in the NPA.

### Section 6G.10 SIDEWALK CLOSED Signs (R9-9, R9-10, R9-11, R9-11a)

182 Guidance:

SIDEWALK CLOSED signs (see Figure <u>6G-1</u>) should be used where pedestrian flow is restricted. Bicycle/Pedestrian Detour (M4-9a) signs or Pedestrian Detour (M4-9b) signs should be used where pedestrian flow is rerouted (see Section <u>61.02</u>).

The SIDEWALK CLOSED (R9-9) sign should be installed at the beginning of the closed sidewalk, at the intersections preceding the closed sidewalk, and elsewhere along the closed sidewalk as needed.

The SIDEWALK CLOSED, (ARROW) USE OTHER SIDE (R9-10) sign should be installed at the beginning of the restricted sidewalk when a parallel sidewalk exists on the other side of the roadway.

The SIDEWALK CLOSED AHEAD, (ARROW) CROSS HERE (R9-11) sign should be used to indicate to pedestrians that sidewalks beyond the sign are closed and to direct them to open crosswalks, sidewalks, or other travel paths.

The SIDEWALK CLOSED, (ARROW) CROSS HERE (R9-11a) sign should be installed just beyond the point to which pedestrians are being redirected. Support:

These signs are typically mounted on a detectable barricade to encourage compliance and to communicate with pedestrians that the sidewalk is closed. Printed signs are not useful to many pedestrians with visual disabilities. A barrier or barricade detectable by a person with a visual disability is sufficient to indicate that a sidewalk is closed. If the barrier is continuous with detectable channelizing devices for an alternate route, accessible signing might not be necessary.

211	The TURN OFF 2-WAY RADIO AND CELL PHONE (RXX-XR22-2) sign (see Figure
212	6G-1) shall be used to require road users to turn off mobile radio transmitters and cellular
213	telephones where blasting operations occur. [edit sign code]
214	Support:
215	See Section 6H.25 for the full sequence of signs for blasting zones and the specific
216	requirements for location of this regulatory sign.
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219	Section 6G.12 Comments: NCUTCD generally agrees with 6G.12, but recommends revising th
220	title of the SHS in the Option to "Standard Highway Signs" publication.
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222	Section 6G.12 Other Regulatory Signs
223	Option:
224	Regulatory word message signs other than those classified and specified in this Manual and
225	the "Standard Highways Signs-and Markings" book publication (see Section 1A.05) may be
226	developed and used based on engineering judgment to aid the enforcement of other laws or
227	regulations in TTC zones. [edit title]
228	Guidance:
229	Special regulatory signs should comply with the general requirements of color, shape, and
230	alphabet size and series. The sign message should be brief, legible, and clear.

Section 6G.11 Comments: NCUTCD generally agrees with 6G.11 as presented in the NPA, but

Section 6G.11 TURN OFF 2-WAY RADIO AND CELLPHONE (RXX-XR22-2) Sign [edit

recommends revising the sign code from RXX-X to R22-2.

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Standard: