Index 521-428 Traffic Railing (42" Single-Slope)

Design Criteria

**AASHTO Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH)** Test Level 4 Criteria; **AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications; Structures Design Guidelines (SDG)**

Design Assumptions and Limitations

The 42" Single-Slope Traffic Railing should be used where a railing with Test Level 5 crashworthiness is warranted. Use this railing in accordance with the requirements of **SDG 6.7**.

The details as shown for installing 2" diameter conduits and associated Embedded Junction Boxes (EJBs) in traffic railings have been determined to be crashworthy in accordance with the requirements of **AASHTO Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH)** and the **AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications**. To preserve the crashworthiness of traffic railings, no more than three 2" diameter conduits and associated EJBs, as shown on Index 630-010, may be installed within a traffic railing or concrete barrier/noise wall.

Reinforcing cover for Traffic Railings is shown as 2½", which accommodates new slip forming tolerances. For modified designs 2" minimum cover is usually adequate for stationary form construction.

Design bridge decks supporting 42" Single-Slope Traffic Railings in accordance with the requirements of **SDG 4.2**. For bridge decks up to a maximum thickness of 11", the two Bars 5S2 placed in the bridge deck may substitute for the longitudinal deck steel located within the limits of Bars 5V, provided that the total area of longitudinal deck steel beneath the railing, as required by calculation, is not reduced.

The "Slab Depth" specified in **SDG 4.2.4** for use with a 42" Single-Slope Traffic Railing is only required within the same deck span as the traffic railing itself.

For treatment of 42" Single-Slope Traffic Railings on skewed bridges see Index 427.

Plan Content Requirements

In the Structures Plans:

In the Materials Note on the General Notes Sheet, specify the concrete class in accordance with the superstructure environment classification. See **SDG 1.4**.

Include the following Bridge Name Note on the General Notes Sheet:

- Place the following bridge name on the traffic railing in accordance with the Traffic Railing Standard Plans:
  
  [Use the name of the bridge or non-roadway facility crossed, or include the name of both facilities for roadway crossings, e.g.:

  THOMASVILLE ROAD FLYOVER]
TOMOKA RIVER
CSX RAILROAD
US 19 OVER EAST BAY DR

For multiple bridges, identify the associated bridge number, e.g.:

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Show and label, by name or Index number, the 42" Single-Slope Traffic Railing on the Plan and Elevation, Typical Section, Superstructure, Approach Slab and Finish Grade Elevations Cross Section sheets, Retaining Wall Control Drawings, and other sheets as required. Show limiting stations when transitioning to other types of traffic railings.

On the Superstructure section sheets, show the two Bars 5S2 placed in the bridge deck within the Bars 5V along with the rest of the deck steel.

For approach or trailing end traffic railing or barrier transitions not shown in the Index, provide special end transition details to match the adjacent profile and height at the end of the Approach Slab. Transitions should be made over a 10'-0" length for the face profile and at 1:8 maximum slope for the height transition. To avoid widening the approach slab behind the transition, 2" concrete cover may be used.

All concrete and Bars 5P, 5S, 6S, 6T and 5V required to construct the traffic railing are included in the Estimated Traffic Railing Quantities. Do not include traffic railing concrete in the estimated concrete quantities, or Bars 5P, 5S, 6S, 6T and 5V in the reinforcing bar lists and estimated reinforcing steel quantities for supporting bridge decks, approach slabs or retaining walls.

**Payment**

**Commentary:** For consistency, Conduit and EJB’s are no longer included in the cost of the Traffic Railing or Concrete Barrier.

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