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Proposed Specification: **9900200 Temporary Traffic Control Device Materials.**

The implementation of the new TTC policy in the Standard Plans and Standard Specifications has delayed the proposed changes to Section 990 by Ed Cashman from the State Roadway Design Office to allow further collaboration with the Districts. The changes below will closely resemble the January 2020 version.

If you have any questions relating to this specification change, please call me at 414-4130.

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# TRAFFIC CONTROL MATERIALS

## SECTION 990 TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE MATERIALS

### **990-1 General.**

This Section specifies the material requirements for temporary traffic control devices.

### **990-2 Retroreflective Sheeting for Temporary Traffic Control Devices.**

**990-2.1 Approved Product List (APL):** Sheeting for use on Temporary Traffic Control Devices shall be one of the products listed on the Department's Approved Product List (APL). Manufacturers seeking evaluation of their product shall submit an application in accordance with Section 6.

**990-2.1.1 Bands for Tubular Markers, Vertical Panels, Barricades, Vehicular Longitudinal Channelizing Devices, and other Devices:** Bands for tubular markers, vertical panels, barricades, vehicular longitudinal channelizing devices, and other devices shall meet the requirements of ASTM D4956 for Type III or higher retroreflective sheeting materials identified in Section 994.

**990-2.1.2 Collars for Traffic Cones:** Collars for traffic cones shall meet the requirements of ASTM D4956 Type III or higher retroreflective prismatic sheeting materials identified in Section 994 including supplementary requirements for reboundable sheeting. The outdoor weathering shall be for 12 months for all sheeting types.

**990-2.1.3 Drums:** Drums shall meet the requirements of ASTM D4956 for Type III or higher retroreflective sheeting materials identified in Section 994 including supplementary requirements for reboundable sheeting.

**990-2.1.4 Sign Panels:** Meet the requirements of 990-8.

### **990-3 Portable Devices (Arrow Boards, Changeable Message Signs, Regulatory Signs, Radar Speed Display Units and Truck Mounted Changeable Message Signs).**

**990-3.1 General:** All portable devices shall meet the physical display and operational requirements of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and be listed on the Department's Approved Product List (APL). Manufacturers seeking evaluation of their product shall submit an application in accordance with Section 6 and include the following:

1. Certification showing that the product meets the requirements of this Section.

2. Drawings of the device along with technical information necessary for proper application, field assembly, and installation.

Portable devices shall meet the following requirements:

3. Ensure that all assembly hardware less than 5/8 inch in diameter, including nuts, bolts, external screws and locking washers are Type 304 or 316 passivated stainless steel. Stainless steel bolts, screws and studs shall meet ASTM F593. Nuts shall meet ASTM F594. All assembly hardware greater than or equal to 5/8 inch in diameter shall be galvanized. Bolts, studs, and threaded rod shall meet ASTM A307. Structural bolts shall meet ASTM F3125, Grade A325.

4. The controllers and associated on-board circuitry shall meet the requirements of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Title 47, Subpart B, Section 15

regulations concerning the emission of electronic noise by Class A digital devices. All electronic assemblies shall meet the requirements of NEMA TS-4-2016 Section 2.

5. The controller and associated on-board circuitry shall not be affected by mobile radio, or any other radio transmissions.

6. An operator's manual shall be furnished with each unit.

7. All portable devices shall be permanently marked with, manufacturer's name or trademark, model/part number, and date of manufacture or serial number.

8. Portable devices and trailers shall be delineated on a permanent basis by affixing retroreflective sheeting in a continuous line on the face of the trailer as seen by oncoming road users.

#### **990-3.1.1 Electrical Systems:**

**990-3.1.1.1 Solar Powered Unit:** The solar powered unit shall meet the following:

1. The unit shall provide automatic recharging of power supply batteries to normal operating levels with meters showing charge.

2. Solar array recovery time for arrow boards and regulatory signs shall be accomplished in a maximum of three hours.

3. Arrow boards and changeable message signs shall be designed to provide 180 days of continuous operation with minimum onsite maintenance.

#### **990-3.1.1.2 Battery Life Test:** Meet the following:

1. The photovoltaic unit shall be designed to provide 21 days of continuous operation without sunlight with a minimum of onsite maintenance for arrow boards and changeable message signs, or 10 days of continuous operation without sunlight with a minimum of onsite maintenance for regulatory signs and radar speed display units.

2. The battery shall be equipped with a battery controller to prevent overcharging and over-discharging. An external battery level indicator shall be provided.

3. The battery, controller, and power panel shall be designed to be protected from the elements and vandalism.

4. Automatic recharging of power supply batteries shall be provided with charge indicator meter.

5. An AC/DC battery charger unit shall be provided.

#### **990-3.1.2 Display Panel and Housing:**

1. The display housing assembly shall be weather-tight.

2. The display assembly shall be equipped with an automatic dimming operational mode capable of a minimum of 50% dimming and a separate manual dimmer switch

3. The display panel background and frame for the display assembly shall be painted flat black and shall meet Federal Specification TT-E-489.

4. The display panel for arrow boards and changeable message signs, when raised in the upright position, shall have a minimum height of 7 feet from the bottom of the panel to the ground, in accordance with the MUTCD. The display panel for radar speed display units, when raised in the upright position, will have a minimum height of 5 feet from the bottom of the panel to the ground.

5. The regulatory speed sign panel for regulatory signs and radar speed display units, when raised in the upright position, shall have a minimum height of 7 feet from the bottom of the regulatory sign panel to the ground.

6. The unit shall have an accessible mechanism to easily raise and lower the display assembly. A locking device shall also be provided to ensure the display panel will remain in the raised or lowered position.

7. The display panel for changeable message signs shall have a safety system to protect against the panel falling from the trailer to the roadway should the panel separate from the lift system.

**990-3.1.3 Controller:** The Controller shall meet the following:

1. Controller and control panel shall be housed in a weather, dust, and vandal resistant lockable cabinet.

2. Controller and associated on-board circuitry shall meet the requirements of the FCC Title 47, Subpart B, Section 15 regulations concerning the emission of electronic noise by Class A digital devices.

3. For changeable message signs and arrow boards ensure that the sign control software provides an on-site graphical representation that visibly depicts the message displayed on the sign face.

4. For changeable message signs, if remote communication is included, ensure that the sign controller is addressable through the Ethernet communications network using software that complies with the National Transportation Communications for ITS Protocol (NTCIP) 1101 base standard, including all amendments as published at the time of contract letting, the NTCIP Simple Transportation Management Framework, and conforms to Compliance Level 1. Ensure that the software implements all mandatory objects in the supplemental requirement SR-781-3-1, FDOT Dynamic Message Sign NTCIP Requirements, as published on the FDOT State Traffic Engineering and Operations Office web site at the time of contract letting. Ensure that the sign complies with the NTCIP 1102v01.15, 2101 v01.19, 2103v02.07, 2201v01.15, 2202 v01.05, and 2301v02.19 standards. Ensure that the sign complies with NTCIP 1103v02.17, section 3. Ensure that additional objects implemented by the software do not interfere with the standard operation of mandatory objects.

**990-3.1.4 Support Chassis:** The support chassis shall meet the following:

1. The support chassis shall be self-contained and self-supporting without the use of additional equipment or tools.

2. Both trailer and truck-mounted units are allowed for arrow boards and changeable message signs. Trailer mounted units are required for regulatory signs and radar speed display units.

a. Trailer mounted unit:

1. The sign, power supply unit and all support systems shall be mounted on a wheeled trailer.

2. The trailer shall be equipped with Class A lights, using a plug adaptor.

3. The trailer shall be equipped with adjustable outrigger leveling pads, one on each of the four frame corners.

4. The trailer shall be designed to be set up at the site with its own chassis and outriggers, without being hitched to a vehicle.

5. The trailer shall be equipped with fenders over the tires and shall be made from heavy-duty material sufficient to allow a person to stand and operate or perform maintenance on the unit.

6. The trailer shall meet all equipment specifications set forth in Chapter 316 of the Florida Statutes, and by such rule, regulation or code that may be adopted by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

7. The trailers should be delineated on a permanent basis by affixing retroreflective material, known as conspicuity material, in a continuous line on the face of the trailer as seen by oncoming road users.

**990-3.2 Portable Arrow Board:**

**990-3.2.1 Arrow Board Matrix:**

1. The minimum legibility distance for various traffic conditions are based on the decision-sight distance concept. The minimum legibility distance is the distance at which a driver can comprehend the arrow board message on a sunny day or a clear night. The arrow board size that is needed to meet the legibility distance is listed as follows:

Type	Minimum Size	Minimum Number of Elements	Minimum Legibility Distance
B	30 by 60 inches	13	3/4 mile
C	48 by 96 inches	15	1 mile

Type B arrow boards may be used on low to intermediate speed (0 mph to 50 mph) facilities or for maintenance or moving operations on any speed facility. Type C arrow boards shall be used for all other operations on high-speed (50 mph and greater) facilities and may be substituted for Type B arrow boards on any speed facility.

2. Devices shall meet all arrow board displays identified in the MUTCD.

3. The element lens should be 5-3/4 inches in diameter. Smaller element lens diameters are permissible only if they provide an equivalent or greater brightness indication and meet the legibility criteria in 990-3.2.1(a).

4. The color of the light emitted shall be in accordance with the MUTCD.

5. There shall be a 360 degree hood for close-up glare reduction.

6. For solar powered arrow boards the bulbs shall provide a 350 candle power intensity for day use and an automatic reduction or dimming capacity for night use. The dimmed night operation shall provide adequate indication without excessive glare.

7. The flashing rate of the element shall not be less than 25 flashes or more than 40 flashes per minute as required in the MUTCD.

8. The minimum element "on time" shall be 50% for the flashing arrow and 25% for the sequential chevron.

**990-3.3 Portable Changeable Message Sign:**

**990-3.3.1 Message Matrix:**

1. Message matrix panel shall be a maximum height of 7 feet by a maximum width of 10 feet.

2. The matrix must be capable of displaying three lines of 8 characters using an 18 inch or 12 inch font that meets the height to width ratio and character spacing requirements in the MUTCD, Section 2L.04, paragraphs 05, 06, and 08. PCMS with a minimum font size of 18 inches shall be used on any speed facility. PCMS with a minimum font size of 12 inches may be used on facilities with speed limits of 45 mph or less.

3. The matrix must display characters that meet or exceed the numeral and letter sizes prescribed in the MUTCD and SHS (Standard Highway Signs) companion document.

Fonts and graphics must mimic the characteristics of fonts and graphics defined in NEMA TS4, the MUTCD, and SHS.

5. For flip disk matrix signs, the disk elements shall be coated on the display side with a highly reflective florescent yellow Mylar material, and on the back with a flat black to blend in with the flat black background.

6. Similar components shall be interchangeable.

#### **990-3.3.2 Operation and Performance:**

1. The message shall be displayed in upper case except when lower case is project specific and is allowed by the MUTCD.

2. The message matrix panel shall be visible from one-half mile and legible from a distance of 650 feet under both day and night conditions. Under variable light level conditions the sign shall automatically adjust its light source to meet the 650 feet visibility requirement. The message panel shall have adjustable display rates, so that the entire message can be read at least twice at the posted speed.

3. The control panel shall have the capability to store a minimum 50 pre-programmed messages.

4. The controller in the control panel shall be able to remember messages during non-powered conditions.

5. The controller shall allow the operator to generate additional messages on site via the keyboard.

6. For a portable changeable message sign using Flip-Disk technology, the controller shall have the capability to provide a stipulated default message upon loss of controller function.

7. All messages shall be flashed or sequenced. In the sequence mode, the controller shall have the capability to sequence three line messages during one cycle.

#### **990-3.4 Portable Regulatory Signs:**

**990-3.4.1 Sign Panel Assembly:** The sign panel assembly shall consist of a 24 inches by 30 inches "SPEED LIMIT XX" sign panel and a "WHEN FLASHING" sign panel, intended to notify oncoming traffic the speed limit where workers are present. The sign panel assembly shall meet the following minimum physical requirements:

1. The sign panel shall fold down and be pinned in place for towing. Maximum travel height shall be 80 inches.

2. Construct the sign panel and light housing to allow the unit to be operated in the displayed position at speeds of 30 mph. Design the sign panel assembly to withstand transport speeds of 65 mph.

3. Construct the sign panel such that, when in the raised position, the sign panel will have a height of 7 feet from the bottom of the lowest panel to the ground, in accordance with the MUTCD.

4. Provide the unit with a mechanism to raise and lower the sign panel. Provide the unit with a device to lock the sign panel in the raised and lowered position.

**990-3.4.2 Flashing Lights:** Provide a pair of hooded PAR 46 LED advance warning flashing lamps on each side of the top of the sign panel. These lamps shall be visible day or night at a distance of one mile with a flash rate of approximately 55 flashes per minute.

The lamp lens should be at least 5-3/4 inches in diameter. Smaller diameter lens are permissible if they provide an equivalent or greater brightness indication and meet the legibility criteria above.

The color of the light emitted shall be in accordance with the MUTCD. For solar powered units, the bulbs shall provide a 350 candlepower intensity for day use and an automatic reduction or dimming capacity for night use. The dimmed night operation shall provide adequate indication without excessive glare.

**990-3.5 Portable Radar Speed Display Unit:**

**990-3.5.1 Display Unit Panel and Housing:** Meet the requirements of 990-3.1.2 and the following physical requirements as a minimum:

1. Provide capability to mount a 24 inches by 30 inches regulatory sign with interchangeable numbers showing the posted speed limit above the message display.
2. Provide legend "YOUR SPEED" either above or below the message display.

**990-3.5.2 Message Display:** The message display shall meet the following physical requirements as a minimum:

1. Provide a bright LED, two-digit speed display on a flat black background with bright yellow LEDs.
2. Each digit shall contain either a seven-segment layout or matrix-style design. Each digit shall measure a minimum 18 inches in height.
3. Speed display shall be visible from a distance of at least one-half mile and legible from a distance of at least 650 feet under both day and night conditions.
4. Display shall adjust for day and night operation automatically with a photocell.

**990-3.5.3 Radar:** The radar unit shall not be affected by normal radio transmissions and meet the following physical requirements as a minimum:

1. Approach-Only sensor.
2. Equipped with a low power K-Band transmitter.
3. Part 90 FCC acceptance, 3 amps, 10.8 V<sub>DC</sub> to 16.6 V<sub>DC</sub>. Fuse and reverse polarity protected.
4. Range of 1,000 feet for mid-size vehicle, capable of accurately sensing speeds of 10 mph to 99 mph with over speed function that operates when a vehicle approaches over the posted speed limit.

**990-3.6 Truck Mounted Changeable Message Sign:**

**990-3.6.1 General:** Truck mounted changeable message signs shall meet the physical display and operational requirements of the MUTCD and be listed on the APL.

1. Sign shall be secured on the vehicle for normal operation.
2. A fault light shall be located on rear of the sign and operate whenever the sign is displaying a message. The light shall flash at the same rate as the message being displayed.
3. An operator's manual shall be furnished with each sign.
4. The manufacturer name, model or part number, and date of manufacture or serial number shall be permanently affixed to the sign housing.

**990-3.6.2 Display Panel and Housing:**

1. The housing maximum size shall not exceed a width of 75 inches, a height of 48 inches, or a depth of 12 inches.
2. The housing shall be designed to withstand exposure to the elements and include a locking device to secure the housing from unauthorized entry.

3. Provisions (by convection or fan) shall be made for heat dissipation within the unit.

4. The message matrix panel background and frame for the dynamic message assembly shall be painted flat black, Federal Specification TT-E-489.

5. The face of the display shall be easily opened from the front. Faces that open up shall be locked to stay open far enough to allow for servicing of all message panel components.

6. The face of the sign shall be covered by an impact resistant polycarbonate face that aids against glare and includes an ultraviolet inhibitor to protect from fading and yellowing.

7. The display panel support structure, when raised in the upright position, shall be designed to allow for a minimum height of 7 feet from the bottom of the panel to the ground.

8. The unit shall have a manual and automatic control mechanism to raise and lower the display assembly. A locking device shall also be provided to ensure the display panel will remain in the raised or lowered position.

#### **990-3.6.3 Message Matrix:**

1. The matrix shall utilize light emitting diodes (LED).

2. LEDs used shall be amber (590 nm dominate wavelength) and shall meet the visibility requirements of this specification. LEDs shall have a viewing angle no less than 30 degrees. LED intensity shall not fall below 80 percent within three years.

3. All display modules shall be identical and interchangeable.

4. The matrix shall be capable of displaying a minimum of two lines of eight characters each, using a 10 inch font that meets the height to width ratio and character spacing requirements in the MUTCD, Section 2L.04 (paragraphs 05, 06, and 08) and Section 6F.60, paragraph 15.

5. The matrix shall provide variable letter, graphic and symbol sizes from 10 to 36 inches. The matrix must display characters that meet or exceed the numeral and letter sizes prescribed in the MUTCD and SHS companion document. Fonts and graphics must mimic the characteristics of fonts and graphics defined in NEMA TS4, the MUTCD, and SHS.

#### **990-3.6.4 Electrical System:**

1. The power supply shall be a 12 V<sub>DC</sub> system designed to operate the sign with a dedicated battery that is charged by the vehicle electrical system, but isolated so it does not drain the vehicle battery.

2. All internal sign components shall be treated with a protective, weather-resistant polyurethane or silicone conformal coating to protect against the adverse effects of humidity and moisture.

#### **990-3.6.5 Sign Controller:**

1. The sign controller shall be housed inside the sign and shall be equipped with a security lockout feature to prevent unauthorized use.

2. An external weather-resistant, hand-held control keypad shall be used to display the message on the sign.

3. The sign controller shall have the capability to provide a predetermined or blank default message upon loss of controller function.

#### **990-3.6.6 Operation and Performance:**

1. The message shall be displayed in upper case.

2. The message matrix panel shall be visible from one-half mile. With a 10 inch character displayed, the sign shall be legible from a distance of 400 feet in both day and night conditions. Under variable light level conditions, the sign shall automatically adjust its light source to meet the 400 foot visibility requirement.

3. The sign shall have the capability to store a minimum of 40 common messages and graphics of which a minimum of 30 shall be user-programmable messages.

4. All messages shall be capable of being flashed or sequenced. In the sequence mode, the message shall consist of no more than two phases, with each phase consisting of no more than three lines of text. Both message dwell time and message flash rate shall be individually programmable.

#### **990-4 Removable Tape.**

**990-4.1 Composition:** Removable tape shall be one of the products listed on the APL. The pavement stripes and markings shall consist of high quality plastic materials, pigments, and glass spheres or other retroreflective materials uniformly distributed throughout their cross-sectional area, with a reflective layer of spheres or other retroreflective material embedded in the top surface. No foil type materials shall be allowed.

**990-4.2 Skid Resistance:** The surface of the stripes and markings shall provide a minimum skid resistance value of 35 BPN (British Pendulum Number) when tested according to ASTM E303. Bike lane symbols and pedestrian crosswalks shall provide a minimum skid resistance value of 55 BPN.

**990-4.3 Thickness:** The APL will list the specified thickness of each approved product.

**990-4.4 Durability and Wear Resistance:** When properly applied, the material shall provide neat, durable stripes and markings. The materials shall provide a cushioned resilient substrate that reduces sphere crushing and loss. The film shall be weather resistant and, through normal wear, shall show no significant tearing, rollback or other signs of poor adhesion. Durability is the measured percent of pavement marking material completely removed from the pavement. The pavement marking material line loss must not exceed 5.0% of surface area.

**990-4.5 Conformability and Resealing:** The stripes and markings shall be capable of conforming to pavement contours, breaks and faults under traffic at pavement temperatures recommended by the manufacturer. The film shall be capable of use for patching worn areas of the same types of film in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

**990-4.6 Tensile Strength:** The stripes and markings shall have a minimum tensile strength of 40 psi when tested according to ASTM D638. A rectangular test specimen 6 inches by 1 inch by 0.05 inches minimum thickness shall be tested at a temperature range of 40°F to 80°F using a jaw speed of 0.25 inches per minute.

**990-4.7 Elongation:** The stripes and markings shall have a minimum elongation of 25% when tested in accordance with ASTM D638.

**990-4.8 Plastic Pull test:** The stripes and markings shall support a dead weight of 4 pounds for not less than five minutes at a temperature range of 70°F to 80°F. Rectangular test specimen size shall be 6 inches by 1 inch by 0.05 inches minimum thickness.

**990-4.9 Adhesive:** Precoat removable tape with a pressure sensitive adhesive capable of being affixed to asphalt concrete and portland cement concrete pavement surfaces without the use of heat, solvents, and other additional adhesives or activators. Ensure that the adhesive does not require a protective liner when the removable tape is in rolled form for shipment. Ensure that the adhesive is capable of temporarily bonding to the roadway pavement at temperatures of 50°F and the above without pick-up distortion by vehicular traffic.

**990-4.10 Color:** Meet the requirements of 971-1.6.

**990-4.11 Removability:** Ensure that the manufacturer shows documented reports that the removable tape is capable of being removed intact or in substantially large strips after being in place for a minimum of 90 days and under an average daily traffic count per lane of at least 5,000 vehicles per day.

**990-5 Temporary Raised Pavement Markers (RPMs).**

Temporary RPMs shall meet the requirements of Section 970.

**990-6 Temporary Glare Screen.**

**990-6.1 Design and Installation:** Manufactured glare screen systems may be modular or individual units listed on the APL and shall meet the following requirements:

1. Glare screen units shall be manufactured in lengths such that when installed the joint between any one modular unit will not span barrier sections. Color shall be green, similar to FED-STD-595-34227.

2. Blades, rails and/or posts shall be manufactured from polyethylene, fiberglass, plastic, polyester or polystyrene, and be ultraviolet stabilized and inert to all normal atmospheric conditions and temperature ranges found in Florida.

3. For paddle type designs, the blade width shall not be more than 9 inches. Blades or screen for individual or modular systems shall be 24 inches to 30 inches high and capable of being locked down at an angle and spacing to provide a cut-off angle not less than 20 degrees.

4. For glare screen mounted on temporary concrete barrier, a strip (minimum 3 inch width and minimum 72 square inches) of reflective sheeting as specified in 994-2 must be placed on each side of a panel, centered in each barrier section (at a spacing not to exceed 15 feet) and positioned in such a manner as to permit total right angle observation by parallel traffic.

5. Prior to approval an impact test shall be performed by the manufacturer to verify the safety performance of the proposed system. The minimum impact strength of the posts, blades, rail and the barrier attachment design shall be sufficient to prevent the unit from separating from the barrier when impacted by a 3 inches outside diameter steel pipe traveling at 30 mph and impacting mid-height on the glare screen assembly.

6. All hardware shall be galvanized in accordance with ASTM A123 or stainless steel in accordance with AISI 302/305.

Alternative designs for temporary glare screen may be submitted as a Cost Savings Initiative Proposal in accordance with 4-3.9.

**990-7 Temporary Traffic Control Signals.**

**990-7.1 General:** Temporary traffic control signals shall meet the physical display and operational requirements of conventional traffic signal described in the MUTCD for portable traffic signals and be listed on the APL. The standard includes but is not limited to the following:

1. Use signal heads having three 12 inch vehicular signal indications (Red, Yellow and Green). Ensure there are two signal heads for each direction of traffic.

2. The traffic signal heads on this device will be approved by the Department.

3. Department approved lighting sources will be installed in each section in accordance with the manufacturer's permanent directional markings, that is, an "Up Arrow", the word "UP" or "TOP," for correct indexing and orientation within a signal housing.

4. The masts supporting the traffic signal heads will be manufactured with the lowest point of the vehicular signal head as follows:
  - a. Eight feet above finished grade at the point of their installation for “pedestal” type application or
  - b. Seventeen to 19 feet above pavement grade at the center of roadway for “overhead” type application.
5. The yellow clearance interval will be programmed 3 seconds or more. Under no condition can the yellow clearance interval be manually controlled. It must be timed internally by the controller as per Department specifications.
6. The green interval must display a minimum of 5 seconds before being advanced to the yellow clearance interval.
7. The controller will allow for a variable all red clearance interval from 0 seconds to 999 seconds.
8. Portable traffic control signals will be either manually controlled or traffic actuated. Indicator lights for monitoring the signal operation of each approach will be supplied and visible from within the work zone area.
9. When the portable traffic control signals are radio actuated the following will apply:
  - a. The transmitter will be FCC Type accepted and not exceed 1 watt output per FCC, Part 90.17. The manufacturer must comply with all “Specific limitations” noted in FCC Part 90.17.
  - b. The Controller will force the traffic signal to display red toward the traffic approach in case of radio failure or interference.
10. The trailer and supports will be painted construction/maintenance orange enamel in accordance with the MUTCD color.
11. Ensure the certification number is engraved or labeled permanently on equipment.
12. Ensure the device has an external, visible, water resistant label with the following information: “Certification of this device by the Florida Department of Transportation allows for its use in Construction Zones Only”.
13. All electronic assemblies shall meet the requirements of NEMA TS-5-2017 Section 4.

## **990-8 Work Zone Signs.**

**990-8.1 Post Mounted Sign Supports:** Provide steel u-channel posts that conform to ASTM A499 Grade 60. For each u-channel post, punch or drill 3/8 inch diameter holes on 1 inch centers through the center of the post, starting approximately 1 inch from the top and extending the full length of the post. Ensure that the weight per foot of a particular manufacturer’s post size does not vary more than plus or minus 3.5% of its specified weight per foot. Taper the bottom end of the post for easier installation. Machine straighten the u-channel to a tolerance of 0.4% of the length. Use only non-corrosive metal, aluminum, or galvanized steel attachment hardware.

**990-8.2 Portable Sign Stands:** Provide portable sign stands that meet the requirements of MASH TL-3.

**990-8.2.1 Product Application:** Manufacturers seeking inclusion on the APL must submit the following:

1. Product Drawing, which at a minimum includes:
  - a. Model Number

- b. Sign panel size
- c. Allowable sign panel substrate material
- d. Height to bottom of sign panel
- e. Any field assembly details and technical information necessary for proper application and installation

- 2. Crash testing reports.
- 3. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters.

**990-8.3 Sign Panels:** Use signs that meet the material and process requirements of ASTM D4956 and Section 994. Use the Type VI sheeting for vinyl signs. Mesh signs must meet the color, daytime luminance, and non-reflective requirements of Section 994, Type VI. Use Type IV sheeting for fluorescent orange work zone signs. Use Type IV and Type XI sheeting for all other work zone signs.

**990-9 Temporary Raised Rumble Strips.**

**990-9.1 General:** Temporary raised rumble strips shall meet the physical display and operational requirements in the MUTCD for temporary raised rumble strips and be listed on the APL. The temporary raised rumble strip may be either a removable polymer striping tape type or a molded engineered polymer material type as described below:

**990-9.1.1 Removable Polymer Striping Tape:**

Characteristic	Requirement
Composition:	Removable Polymer Striping Tape with pre-applied adhesive
Color:	White, Black or Orange
Cross-section:	0.25 in. to 0.50 in. (height) x 4 in. (wide)

**990-9.1.2 Molded Engineered Polymer Material:**

Characteristic	Requirement
Composition:	Molded Engineered Polymer Material
Weight	Internally ballasted to a minimum of 100 lbs. to maintain position in use without the use of adhesives or mechanical fasteners
Color:	White, Black or Orange
Shape	Beveled on the leading edge
Cross-section:	0.625 in. to 0.875 in. (height) x 12 in. to 14 in. (wide)

**990-10 Automated Flagger Assistance Devices (AFAD).**

**990-10.1 General:** AFAD's shall meet the physical display and operational requirements in the MUTCD and be listed on the APL. Manufacturers seeking evaluation of their product for the APL must include detailed vendor drawings, signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Florida, showing typical application of the device in accordance with Standard Plans, Index 102-603. All electronic assemblies shall meet the requirements of NEMA TS-5-2017 Section 4.

**990-10.1.1 Stop/Slow Automated Flagger Assistance Devices:** Provide a remotely operated Stop/Slow AFAD including a Stop/Slow sign that alternately displays the stop face and the slow face of a Stop/Slow paddle.

When a gate arm is used, ensure that the gate arm descends to a down position across the approach lane of traffic when the stop face is displayed and then ascends to an upright position when the slow face is displayed.

Ensure the gate arm is fully retroreflectorized on both sides, with vertical alternating red and white stripes at 16 inch intervals measured horizontally in accordance with the MUTCD. When the arm is in the down position blocking the approach lane:

1. The minimum vertical aspect of the arm and sheeting shall be 2 inches; and,
2. The end of the arm shall reach at least to the center of the lane being controlled.

**990-10.1.2 Red/Yellow Lens Automated Flagger Assistance Devices:** Provide a remotely operated Red/Yellow Lens AFAD that alternately displays a steadily illuminated circular red lens and a flashing circular yellow lens to control traffic-

Ensure that the Red/Yellow Lens AFAD includes a gate arm that descends to a down position across the approach lane of traffic when the steady circular red lens is illuminated and then ascends to an upright position when the flashing circular yellow lens is illuminated.

Ensure that the gate arm is fully retroreflectorized on both sides, with vertical alternating red and white stripes at 16 inch intervals measured horizontally in accordance with the MUTCD. When the arm is in the down position blocking the approach lane:

1. The minimum vertical aspect of the arm and sheeting shall be 2 inches; and,
2. The end of the arm shall reach at least to the center of the lane being controlled.

Do not provide a change interval between the display of the steady circular red indication and the display of the flashing circular yellow indication. Provide a steady illuminated circular yellow indication, with at least a 5 second duration, between the transition from flashing circular yellow indication and the display of the steady circular red indication. The Engineer may approve a different duration, provided it falls within the range recommended by the MUTCD.

### **990-11 Temporary Barrier.**

Producers of temporary concrete barrier seeking inclusion on the Department's Production Facility Listing shall meet the requirements of Section 105.

Manufacturers seeking evaluation of proprietary temporary barrier systems for inclusion on the APL must meet MASH TL-3 criteria and submit the following:

1. Product drawings, signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Florida, which at a minimum must include:
  - a. Freestanding and anchored details, as appropriate
  - b. Section views and tables showing required setback distance (deflection space) for all installation configuration options
  - c. Alignment and Length of Need requirements
  - d. Transition and overlap details
  - e. End treatment details
2. Installation manuals
3. Crash testing reports
4. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters

### **990-12 Temporary Crash Cushion (Redirective or Gating).**

Manufacturers seeking evaluation of crash cushions for inclusion on the APL must meet MASH TL-2 or TL-3 criteria and submit the following:

1. Product drawings, signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Florida, which at a minimum must include:

a. Anchorage details for both the crash cushion and abutting temporary barrier

b. Tables showing the relevant system information and lengths for all options

c. Length of need location

d. Transition details

e. List of all components

2. Installation manuals

3. Crash testing reports

4. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters

### **990-13 Truck Mounted Attenuators and Trailer Mounted Attenuators:**

Equip truck mounted and trailer mounted attenuator units with lights and reflectors in compliance with applicable Florida motor vehicle laws, including turn signals, dual tail lights, and brake lights. Ensure that lights are visible in both the raised and lowered positions if the unit is capable of being raised.

Install either alternating black with yellow or white with orange sheeting on the rear of trailer mounted attenuators and truck mounted attenuators in both the operating and raised position. Use Type III (work zone) or Type IV sheeting consisting of 4 or 6 inch wide stripes installed to form chevrons that point upward. All sheeting except black must be retroreflective.

Manufacturers seeking evaluation of truck mounted attenuators or trailer mounted attenuators for inclusion on the APL must meet the MASH TL-2 or TL-3 criteria and submit the following:

1. Minimum and maximum support vehicle weights

2. User manuals

3. Crash testing reports

4. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters

### **990-14 Channelizing Devices.**

**990-14.1 General:** Provide channelizing devices in accordance with the MUTCD and the dimensions shown in the Standard Plans.

**990-14.2 Product Application:** Manufacturers seeking inclusion of channelizing devices on the APL shall submit the following:

1. For Cones, Drums, and Tubular Markers:

a. Photographs

b. Drawings of sufficient detail to distinguish between similar devices

c. Manufacturer self-certification of MASH compliant

2. For Barricades and Vertical Panels:

a. Installations Instructions

b. Photographs

c. Drawings (may be included in Installation Instructions) of sufficient detail to distinguish between similar devices

- d. Any field assembly details and technical information necessary for proper application and installation
- e. Crash testing reports demonstrating the device meets MASH TL-3
- f. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters

**990-15 Pedestrian Longitudinal Channelizing Devices.**

**990-15.1 General:** Provide pedestrian Longitudinal Channelizing Devices (LCDs) in accordance with the MUTCD and the Standard Plans.

**990-15.2 Product Application:** Manufacturers seeking inclusion of pedestrian LCDs on the APL must submit the following:

- a. Installations Instructions
- b. Photographs
- c. Drawings (may be included in Installations Instructions) of sufficient detail to distinguish between similar devices
- d. Any field assembly details and technical information necessary for proper application and installation
- e. Crash testing reports demonstrating the device meets MASH TL-3
- f. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters

**990-16 Flagger Equipment.**

**990-16.1 STOP/SLOW Paddles:** Provide STOP/SLOW paddles with rigid handles in accordance with the MUTCD and the Standard Plans.

**990-16.1.1 Product Application:** Manufacturers seeking inclusion of STOP/SLOW Paddles on the APL must submit the following:

- a. Photographs or drawings of sufficient detail to distinguish between similar devices
- b. Manufacturer self-certification of MASH compliance

**990-17 Portable Temporary Lane Separator.**

**990-17.1 General:** Provide portable temporary lane separator in accordance with the Standard Plans and must come in connectable sections of 36 inches to 48 inches in length.

**990-17.2 Product Application:** Manufacturers seeking inclusion of portable temporary lane separator on the APL shall submit the following:

- a. Installations Instructions
- b. Photographs
- c. Drawings (may be included in Installation Instructions) of sufficient detail to distinguish between similar devices
- d. Any field assembly details and technical information necessary for proper application and installation
- e. Crash testing reports demonstrating the device meets MASH TL-3
- f. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters

# TRAFFIC CONTROL MATERIALS

## SECTION 990 TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE MATERIALS

### **990-1 General.**

This Section specifies the material requirements for temporary traffic control devices.

### **990-2 Retroreflective Sheeting for Temporary Traffic Control Devices.**

**990-2.1 Approved Product List (APL):** Sheeting for use on Temporary Traffic Control Devices shall be one of the products listed on the Department's Approved Product List (APL). Manufacturers seeking evaluation of their product shall submit an application in accordance with Section 6.

**990-2.1.1 Bands for Tubular Markers, Vertical Panels, Barricades, Vehicular Longitudinal Channelizing Devices, and other Devices:** Bands for tubular markers, vertical panels, barricades, vehicular longitudinal channelizing devices, and other devices shall meet the requirements of ASTM D4956 for Type III or higher retroreflective sheeting materials identified in Section 994.

**990-2.1.2 Collars for Traffic Cones:** Collars for traffic cones shall meet the requirements of ASTM D4956 Type III or higher retroreflective prismatic sheeting materials identified in Section 994 including supplementary requirements for reboundable sheeting. The outdoor weathering shall be for 12 months for all sheeting types.

**990-2.1.3 Drums:** Drums shall meet the requirements of ASTM D4956 for Type III or higher retroreflective sheeting materials identified in Section 994 including supplementary requirements for reboundable sheeting.

**990-2.1.4 Sign Panels:** Meet the requirements of 990-8.

### **990-3 Portable Devices (Arrow Boards, Changeable Message Signs, Regulatory Signs, Radar Speed Display Units and Truck Mounted Changeable Message Signs).**

**990-3.1 General:** All portable devices shall meet the physical display and operational requirements of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and be listed on the Department's Approved Product List (APL). Manufacturers seeking evaluation of their product shall submit an application in accordance with Section 6 and include the following:

1. Certification showing that the product meets the requirements of this Section.

2. Drawings of the device along with technical information necessary for proper application, field assembly, and installation.

Portable devices shall meet the following requirements:

3. Ensure that all assembly hardware less than 5/8 inch in diameter, including nuts, bolts, external screws and locking washers are Type 304 or 316 passivated stainless steel. Stainless steel bolts, screws and studs shall meet ASTM F593. Nuts shall meet ASTM F594. All assembly hardware greater than or equal to 5/8 inch in diameter shall be galvanized. Bolts, studs, and threaded rod shall meet ASTM A307. Structural bolts shall meet ASTM F3125, Grade A325.

4. The controllers and associated on-board circuitry shall meet the requirements of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Title 47, Subpart B, Section 15

regulations concerning the emission of electronic noise by Class A digital devices. All electronic assemblies shall meet the requirements of NEMA TS-4-2016 Section 2.

5. The controller and associated on-board circuitry shall not be affected by mobile radio, or any other radio transmissions.

6. An operator's manual shall be furnished with each unit.

7. All portable devices shall be permanently marked with, manufacturer's name or trademark, model/part number, and date of manufacture or serial number.

8. Portable devices and trailers shall be delineated on a permanent basis by affixing retroreflective sheeting in a continuous line on the face of the trailer as seen by oncoming road users.

#### **990-3.1.1 Electrical Systems:**

**990-3.1.1.1 Solar Powered Unit:** The solar powered unit shall meet the following:

1. The unit shall provide automatic recharging of power supply batteries to normal operating levels with meters showing charge.

2. Solar array recovery time for arrow boards and regulatory signs shall be accomplished in a maximum of three hours.

3. Arrow boards and changeable message signs shall be designed to provide 180 days of continuous operation with minimum onsite maintenance.

#### **990-3.1.1.2 Battery Life Test:** Meet the following:

1. The photovoltaic unit shall be designed to provide 21 days of continuous operation without sunlight with a minimum of onsite maintenance for arrow boards and changeable message signs, or 10 days of continuous operation without sunlight with a minimum of onsite maintenance for regulatory signs and radar speed display units.

2. The battery shall be equipped with a battery controller to prevent overcharging and over-discharging. An external battery level indicator shall be provided.

3. The battery, controller, and power panel shall be designed to be protected from the elements and vandalism.

4. Automatic recharging of power supply batteries shall be provided with charge indicator meter.

5. An AC/DC battery charger unit shall be provided.

#### **990-3.1.2 Display Panel and Housing:**

1. The display housing assembly shall be weather-tight.

2. The display assembly shall be equipped with an automatic dimming operational mode capable of a minimum of 50% dimming and a separate manual dimmer switch

3. The display panel background and frame for the display assembly shall be painted flat black and shall meet Federal Specification TT-E-489.

4. The display panel for arrow boards and changeable message signs, when raised in the upright position, shall have a minimum height of 7 feet from the bottom of the panel to the ground, in accordance with the MUTCD. The display panel for radar speed display units, when raised in the upright position, will have a minimum height of 5 feet from the bottom of the panel to the ground.

5. The regulatory speed sign panel for regulatory signs and radar speed display units, when raised in the upright position, shall have a minimum height of 7 feet from the bottom of the regulatory sign panel to the ground.

6. The unit shall have an accessible mechanism to easily raise and lower the display assembly. A locking device shall also be provided to ensure the display panel will remain in the raised or lowered position.

7. The display panel for changeable message signs shall have a safety system to protect against the panel falling from the trailer to the roadway should the panel separate from the lift system.

**990-3.1.3 Controller:** The Controller shall meet the following:

1. Controller and control panel shall be housed in a weather, dust, and vandal resistant lockable cabinet.

2. Controller and associated on-board circuitry shall meet the requirements of the FCC Title 47, Subpart B, Section 15 regulations concerning the emission of electronic noise by Class A digital devices.

3. For changeable message signs and arrow boards ensure that the sign control software provides an on-site graphical representation that visibly depicts the message displayed on the sign face.

4. For changeable message signs, if remote communication is included, ensure that the sign controller is addressable through the Ethernet communications network using software that complies with the National Transportation Communications for ITS Protocol (NTCIP) 1101 base standard, including all amendments as published at the time of contract letting, the NTCIP Simple Transportation Management Framework, and conforms to Compliance Level 1. Ensure that the software implements all mandatory objects in the supplemental requirement SR-781-3-1, FDOT Dynamic Message Sign NTCIP Requirements, as published on the FDOT State Traffic Engineering and Operations Office web site at the time of contract letting. Ensure that the sign complies with the NTCIP 1102v01.15, 2101 v01.19, 2103v02.07, 2201v01.15, 2202 v01.05, and 2301v02.19 standards. Ensure that the sign complies with NTCIP 1103v02.17, section 3. Ensure that additional objects implemented by the software do not interfere with the standard operation of mandatory objects.

**990-3.1.4 Support Chassis:** The support chassis shall meet the following:

1. The support chassis shall be self-contained and self-supporting without the use of additional equipment or tools.

2. Both trailer and truck-mounted units are allowed for arrow boards and changeable message signs. Trailer mounted units are required for regulatory signs and radar speed display units.

a. Trailer mounted unit:

1. The sign, power supply unit and all support systems shall be mounted on a wheeled trailer.

2. The trailer shall be equipped with Class A lights, using a plug adaptor.

3. The trailer shall be equipped with adjustable outrigger leveling pads, one on each of the four frame corners.

4. The trailer shall be designed to be set up at the site with its own chassis and outriggers, without being hitched to a vehicle.

5. The trailer shall be equipped with fenders over the tires and shall be made from heavy-duty material sufficient to allow a person to stand and operate or perform maintenance on the unit.

6. The trailer shall meet all equipment specifications set forth in Chapter 316 of the Florida Statutes, and by such rule, regulation or code that may be adopted by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

7. The trailers should be delineated on a permanent basis by affixing retroreflective material, known as conspicuity material, in a continuous line on the face of the trailer as seen by oncoming road users.

**990-3.2 Portable Arrow Board:**

**990-3.2.1 Arrow Board Matrix:**

1. The minimum legibility distance for various traffic conditions are based on the decision-sight distance concept. The minimum legibility distance is the distance at which a driver can comprehend the arrow board message on a sunny day or a clear night. The arrow board size that is needed to meet the legibility distance is listed as follows:

Type	Minimum Size	Minimum Number of Elements	Minimum Legibility Distance
B	30 by 60 inches	13	3/4 mile
C	48 by 96 inches	15	1 mile

Type B arrow boards may be used on low to intermediate speed (0 mph to 50 mph) facilities or for maintenance or moving operations on any speed facility. Type C arrow boards shall be used for all other operations on high-speed (50 mph and greater) facilities and may be substituted for Type B arrow boards on any speed facility.

2. Devices shall meet all arrow board displays identified in the MUTCD.

3. The element lens should be 5-3/4 inches in diameter. Smaller element lens diameters are permissible only if they provide an equivalent or greater brightness indication and meet the legibility criteria in 990-3.2.1(a).

4. The color of the light emitted shall be in accordance with the MUTCD.

5. There shall be a 360 degree hood for close-up glare reduction.

6. For solar powered arrow boards the bulbs shall provide a 350 candle power intensity for day use and an automatic reduction or dimming capacity for night use. The dimmed night operation shall provide adequate indication without excessive glare.

7. The flashing rate of the element shall not be less than 25 flashes or more than 40 flashes per minute as required in the MUTCD.

8. The minimum element "on time" shall be 50% for the flashing arrow and 25% for the sequential chevron.

**990-3.3 Portable Changeable Message Sign:**

**990-3.3.1 Message Matrix:**

1. Message matrix panel shall be a maximum height of 7 feet by a maximum width of 10 feet.

2. The matrix must be capable of displaying three lines of 8 characters using an 18 inch or 12 inch font that meets the height to width ratio and character spacing requirements in the MUTCD, Section 2L.04, paragraphs 05, 06, and 08. PCMS with a minimum font size of 18 inches shall be used on any speed facility. PCMS with a minimum font size of 12 inches may be used on facilities with speed limits of 45 mph or less.

3. The matrix must display characters that meet or exceed the numeral and letter sizes prescribed in the MUTCD and SHS (Standard Highway Signs) companion document.

Fonts and graphics must mimic the characteristics of fonts and graphics defined in NEMA TS4, the MUTCD, and SHS.

5. For flip disk matrix signs, the disk elements shall be coated on the display side with a highly reflective florescent yellow Mylar material, and on the back with a flat black to blend in with the flat black background.

6. Similar components shall be interchangeable.

#### **990-3.3.2 Operation and Performance:**

1. The message shall be displayed in upper case except when lower case is project specific and is allowed by the MUTCD.

2. The message matrix panel shall be visible from one-half mile and legible from a distance of 650 feet under both day and night conditions. Under variable light level conditions the sign shall automatically adjust its light source to meet the 650 feet visibility requirement. The message panel shall have adjustable display rates, so that the entire message can be read at least twice at the posted speed.

3. The control panel shall have the capability to store a minimum 50 pre-programmed messages.

4. The controller in the control panel shall be able to remember messages during non-powered conditions.

5. The controller shall allow the operator to generate additional messages on site via the keyboard.

6. For a portable changeable message sign using Flip-Disk technology, the controller shall have the capability to provide a stipulated default message upon loss of controller function.

7. All messages shall be flashed or sequenced. In the sequence mode, the controller shall have the capability to sequence three line messages during one cycle.

#### **990-3.4 Portable Regulatory Signs:**

**990-3.4.1 Sign Panel Assembly:** The sign panel assembly shall consist of a 24 inches by 30 inches "SPEED LIMIT XX" sign panel and a "WHEN FLASHING" sign panel, intended to notify oncoming traffic the speed limit where workers are present. The sign panel assembly shall meet the following minimum physical requirements:

1. The sign panel shall fold down and be pinned in place for towing. Maximum travel height shall be 80 inches.

2. Construct the sign panel and light housing to allow the unit to be operated in the displayed position at speeds of 30 mph. Design the sign panel assembly to withstand transport speeds of 65 mph.

3. Construct the sign panel such that, when in the raised position, the sign panel will have a height of 7 feet from the bottom of the lowest panel to the ground, in accordance with the MUTCD.

4. Provide the unit with a mechanism to raise and lower the sign panel. Provide the unit with a device to lock the sign panel in the raised and lowered position.

**990-3.4.2 Flashing Lights:** Provide a pair of hooded PAR 46 LED advance warning flashing lamps on each side of the top of the sign panel. These lamps shall be visible day or night at a distance of one mile with a flash rate of approximately 55 flashes per minute.

The lamp lens should be at least 5-3/4 inches in diameter. Smaller diameter lens are permissible if they provide an equivalent or greater brightness indication and meet the legibility criteria above.

The color of the light emitted shall be in accordance with the MUTCD. For solar powered units, the bulbs shall provide a 350 candlepower intensity for day use and an automatic reduction or dimming capacity for night use. The dimmed night operation shall provide adequate indication without excessive glare.

**990-3.5 Portable Radar Speed Display Unit:**

**990-3.5.1 Display Unit Panel and Housing:** Meet the requirements of 990-3.1.2 and the following physical requirements as a minimum:

1. Provide capability to mount a 24 inches by 30 inches regulatory sign with interchangeable numbers showing the posted speed limit above the message display.
2. Provide legend "YOUR SPEED" either above or below the message display.

**990-3.5.2 Message Display:** The message display shall meet the following physical requirements as a minimum:

1. Provide a bright LED, two-digit speed display on a flat black background with bright yellow LEDs.
2. Each digit shall contain either a seven-segment layout or matrix-style design. Each digit shall measure a minimum 18 inches in height.
3. Speed display shall be visible from a distance of at least one-half mile and legible from a distance of at least 650 feet under both day and night conditions.
4. Display shall adjust for day and night operation automatically with a photocell.

**990-3.5.3 Radar:** The radar unit shall not be affected by normal radio transmissions and meet the following physical requirements as a minimum:

1. Approach-Only sensor.
2. Equipped with a low power K-Band transmitter.
3. Part 90 FCC acceptance, 3 amps, 10.8 V<sub>DC</sub> to 16.6 V<sub>DC</sub>. Fuse and reverse polarity protected.
4. Range of 1,000 feet for mid-size vehicle, capable of accurately sensing speeds of 10 mph to 99 mph with over speed function that operates when a vehicle approaches over the posted speed limit.

**990-3.6 Truck Mounted Changeable Message Sign:**

**990-3.6.1 General:** Truck mounted changeable message signs shall meet the physical display and operational requirements of the MUTCD and be listed on the APL.

1. Sign shall be secured on the vehicle for normal operation.
2. A fault light shall be located on rear of the sign and operate whenever the sign is displaying a message. The light shall flash at the same rate as the message being displayed.
3. An operator's manual shall be furnished with each sign.
4. The manufacturer name, model or part number, and date of manufacture or serial number shall be permanently affixed to the sign housing.

**990-3.6.2 Display Panel and Housing:**

1. The housing maximum size shall not exceed a width of 75 inches, a height of 48 inches, or a depth of 12 inches.
2. The housing shall be designed to withstand exposure to the elements and include a locking device to secure the housing from unauthorized entry.

3. Provisions (by convection or fan) shall be made for heat dissipation within the unit.

4. The message matrix panel background and frame for the dynamic message assembly shall be painted flat black, Federal Specification TT-E-489.

5. The face of the display shall be easily opened from the front. Faces that open up shall be locked to stay open far enough to allow for servicing of all message panel components.

6. The face of the sign shall be covered by an impact resistant polycarbonate face that aids against glare and includes an ultraviolet inhibitor to protect from fading and yellowing.

7. The display panel support structure, when raised in the upright position, shall be designed to allow for a minimum height of 7 feet from the bottom of the panel to the ground.

8. The unit shall have a manual and automatic control mechanism to raise and lower the display assembly. A locking device shall also be provided to ensure the display panel will remain in the raised or lowered position.

#### **990-3.6.3 Message Matrix:**

1. The matrix shall utilize light emitting diodes (LED).

2. LEDs used shall be amber (590 nm dominate wavelength) and shall meet the visibility requirements of this specification. LEDs shall have a viewing angle no less than 30 degrees. LED intensity shall not fall below 80 percent within three years.

3. All display modules shall be identical and interchangeable.

4. The matrix shall be capable of displaying a minimum of two lines of eight characters each, using a 10 inch font that meets the height to width ratio and character spacing requirements in the MUTCD, Section 2L.04 (paragraphs 05, 06, and 08) and Section 6F.60, paragraph 15.

5. The matrix shall provide variable letter, graphic and symbol sizes from 10 to 36 inches. The matrix must display characters that meet or exceed the numeral and letter sizes prescribed in the MUTCD and SHS companion document. Fonts and graphics must mimic the characteristics of fonts and graphics defined in NEMA TS4, the MUTCD, and SHS.

#### **990-3.6.4 Electrical System:**

1. The power supply shall be a 12 V<sub>DC</sub> system designed to operate the sign with a dedicated battery that is charged by the vehicle electrical system, but isolated so it does not drain the vehicle battery.

2. All internal sign components shall be treated with a protective, weather-resistant polyurethane or silicone conformal coating to protect against the adverse effects of humidity and moisture.

#### **990-3.6.5 Sign Controller:**

1. The sign controller shall be housed inside the sign and shall be equipped with a security lockout feature to prevent unauthorized use.

2. An external weather-resistant, hand-held control keypad shall be used to display the message on the sign.

3. The sign controller shall have the capability to provide a predetermined or blank default message upon loss of controller function.

#### **990-3.6.6 Operation and Performance:**

1. The message shall be displayed in upper case.

2. The message matrix panel shall be visible from one-half mile. With a 10 inch character displayed, the sign shall be legible from a distance of 400 feet in both day and night conditions. Under variable light level conditions, the sign shall automatically adjust its light source to meet the 400 foot visibility requirement.

3. The sign shall have the capability to store a minimum of 40 common messages and graphics of which a minimum of 30 shall be user-programmable messages.

4. All messages shall be capable of being flashed or sequenced. In the sequence mode, the message shall consist of no more than two phases, with each phase consisting of no more than three lines of text. Both message dwell time and message flash rate shall be individually programmable.

#### **990-4 Removable Tape.**

**990-4.1 Composition:** Removable tape shall be one of the products listed on the APL. The pavement stripes and markings shall consist of high quality plastic materials, pigments, and glass spheres or other retroreflective materials uniformly distributed throughout their cross-sectional area, with a reflective layer of spheres or other retroreflective material embedded in the top surface. No foil type materials shall be allowed.

**990-4.2 Skid Resistance:** The surface of the stripes and markings shall provide a minimum skid resistance value of 35 BPN (British Pendulum Number) when tested according to ASTM E303. Bike lane symbols and pedestrian crosswalks shall provide a minimum skid resistance value of 55 BPN.

**990-4.3 Thickness:** The APL will list the specified thickness of each approved product.

**990-4.4 Durability and Wear Resistance:** When properly applied, the material shall provide neat, durable stripes and markings. The materials shall provide a cushioned resilient substrate that reduces sphere crushing and loss. The film shall be weather resistant and, through normal wear, shall show no significant tearing, rollback or other signs of poor adhesion. Durability is the measured percent of pavement marking material completely removed from the pavement. The pavement marking material line loss must not exceed 5.0% of surface area.

**990-4.5 Conformability and Resealing:** The stripes and markings shall be capable of conforming to pavement contours, breaks and faults under traffic at pavement temperatures recommended by the manufacturer. The film shall be capable of use for patching worn areas of the same types of film in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

**990-4.6 Tensile Strength:** The stripes and markings shall have a minimum tensile strength of 40 psi when tested according to ASTM D638. A rectangular test specimen 6 inches by 1 inch by 0.05 inches minimum thickness shall be tested at a temperature range of 40°F to 80°F using a jaw speed of 0.25 inches per minute.

**990-4.7 Elongation:** The stripes and markings shall have a minimum elongation of 25% when tested in accordance with ASTM D638.

**990-4.8 Plastic Pull test:** The stripes and markings shall support a dead weight of 4 pounds for not less than five minutes at a temperature range of 70°F to 80°F. Rectangular test specimen size shall be 6 inches by 1 inch by 0.05 inches minimum thickness.

**990-4.9 Adhesive:** Precoat removable tape with a pressure sensitive adhesive capable of being affixed to asphalt concrete and portland cement concrete pavement surfaces without the use of heat, solvents, and other additional adhesives or activators. Ensure that the adhesive does not require a protective liner when the removable tape is in rolled form for shipment. Ensure that the adhesive is capable of temporarily bonding to the roadway pavement at temperatures of 50°F and the above without pick-up distortion by vehicular traffic.

**990-4.10 Color:** Meet the requirements of 971-1.6.

**990-4.11 Removability:** Ensure that the manufacturer shows documented reports that the removable tape is capable of being removed intact or in substantially large strips after being in place for a minimum of 90 days and under an average daily traffic count per lane of at least 5,000 vehicles per day.

**990-5 Temporary Raised Pavement Markers (RPMs).**

Temporary RPMs shall meet the requirements of Section 970.

**990-6 Temporary Glare Screen.**

**990-6.1 Design and Installation:** Manufactured glare screen systems may be modular or individual units listed on the APL and shall meet the following requirements:

1. Glare screen units shall be manufactured in lengths such that when installed the joint between any one modular unit will not span barrier sections. Color shall be green, similar to FED-STD-595-34227.

2. Blades, rails and/or posts shall be manufactured from polyethylene, fiberglass, plastic, polyester or polystyrene, and be ultraviolet stabilized and inert to all normal atmospheric conditions and temperature ranges found in Florida.

3. For paddle type designs, the blade width shall not be more than 9 inches. Blades or screen for individual or modular systems shall be 24 inches to 30 inches high and capable of being locked down at an angle and spacing to provide a cut-off angle not less than 20 degrees.

4. For glare screen mounted on temporary concrete barrier, a strip (minimum 3 inch width and minimum 72 square inches) of reflective sheeting as specified in 994-2 must be placed on each side of a panel, centered in each barrier section (at a spacing not to exceed 15 feet) and positioned in such a manner as to permit total right angle observation by parallel traffic.

5. Prior to approval an impact test shall be performed by the manufacturer to verify the safety performance of the proposed system. The minimum impact strength of the posts, blades, rail and the barrier attachment design shall be sufficient to prevent the unit from separating from the barrier when impacted by a 3 inches outside diameter steel pipe traveling at 30 mph and impacting mid-height on the glare screen assembly.

6. All hardware shall be galvanized in accordance with ASTM A123 or stainless steel in accordance with AISI 302/305.

Alternative designs for temporary glare screen may be submitted as a Cost Savings Initiative Proposal in accordance with 4-3.9.

**990-7 Temporary Traffic Control Signals.**

**990-7.1 General:** Temporary traffic control signals shall meet the physical display and operational requirements of conventional traffic signal described in the MUTCD for portable traffic signals and be listed on the APL. The standard includes but is not limited to the following:

1. Use signal heads having three 12 inch vehicular signal indications (Red, Yellow and Green). Ensure there are two signal heads for each direction of traffic.

2. The traffic signal heads on this device will be approved by the Department.

3. Department approved lighting sources will be installed in each section in accordance with the manufacturer's permanent directional markings, that is, an "Up Arrow", the word "UP" or "TOP," for correct indexing and orientation within a signal housing.

4. The masts supporting the traffic signal heads will be manufactured with the lowest point of the vehicular signal head as follows:
  - a. Eight feet above finished grade at the point of their installation for “pedestal” type application or
  - b. Seventeen to 19 feet above pavement grade at the center of roadway for “overhead” type application.
5. The yellow clearance interval will be programmed 3 seconds or more. Under no condition can the yellow clearance interval be manually controlled. It must be timed internally by the controller as per Department specifications.
6. The green interval must display a minimum of 5 seconds before being advanced to the yellow clearance interval.
7. The controller will allow for a variable all red clearance interval from 0 seconds to 999 seconds.
8. Portable traffic control signals will be either manually controlled or traffic actuated. Indicator lights for monitoring the signal operation of each approach will be supplied and visible from within the work zone area.
9. When the portable traffic control signals are radio actuated the following will apply:
  - a. The transmitter will be FCC Type accepted and not exceed 1 watt output per FCC, Part 90.17. The manufacturer must comply with all “Specific limitations” noted in FCC Part 90.17.
  - b. The Controller will force the traffic signal to display red toward the traffic approach in case of radio failure or interference.
10. The trailer and supports will be painted construction/maintenance orange enamel in accordance with the MUTCD color.
11. Ensure the certification number is engraved or labeled permanently on equipment.
12. Ensure the device has an external, visible, water resistant label with the following information: “Certification of this device by the Florida Department of Transportation allows for its use in Construction Zones Only”.
13. All electronic assemblies shall meet the requirements of NEMA TS-5-2017 Section 4.

## **990-8 Work Zone Signs.**

**990-8.1 Post Mounted Sign Supports:** Provide steel u-channel posts that conform to ASTM A499 Grade 60. For each u-channel post, punch or drill 3/8 inch diameter holes on 1 inch centers through the center of the post, starting approximately 1 inch from the top and extending the full length of the post. Ensure that the weight per foot of a particular manufacturer’s post size does not vary more than plus or minus 3.5% of its specified weight per foot. Taper the bottom end of the post for easier installation. Machine straighten the u-channel to a tolerance of 0.4% of the length. Use only non-corrosive metal, aluminum, or galvanized steel attachment hardware.

**990-8.2 Portable Sign Stands:** Provide portable sign stands that meet the requirements of MASH TL-3.

**990-8.2.1 Product Application:** Manufacturers seeking inclusion on the APL must submit the following:

1. Product Drawing, which at a minimum includes:
  - a. Model Number

- b. Sign panel size
- c. Allowable sign panel substrate material
- d. Height to bottom of sign panel
- e. Any field assembly details and technical information necessary for proper application and installation

- 2. Crash testing reports.
- 3. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters.

**990-8.3 Sign Panels:** Use signs that meet the material and process requirements of ASTM D4956 and Section 994. Use the Type VI sheeting for vinyl signs. Mesh signs must meet the color, daytime luminance, and non-reflective requirements of Section 994, Type VI. Use Type IV sheeting for fluorescent orange work zone signs. Use Type IV and Type XI sheeting for all other work zone signs.

**990-9 Temporary Raised Rumble Strips.**

**990-9.1 General:** Temporary raised rumble strips shall meet the physical display and operational requirements in the MUTCD for temporary raised rumble strips and be listed on the APL. The temporary raised rumble strip may be either a removable polymer striping tape type or a molded engineered polymer material type as described below:

**990-9.1.1 Removable Polymer Striping Tape:**

Characteristic	Requirement
Composition:	Removable Polymer Striping Tape with pre-applied adhesive
Color:	White, Black or Orange
Cross-section:	0.25 in. to 0.50 in. (height) x 4 in. (wide)

**990-9.1.2 Molded Engineered Polymer Material:**

Characteristic	Requirement
Composition:	Molded Engineered Polymer Material
Weight	Internally ballasted to a minimum of 100 lbs. to maintain position in use without the use of adhesives or mechanical fasteners
Color:	White, Black or Orange
Shape	Beveled on the leading edge
Cross-section:	0.625 in. to 0.875 in. (height) x 12 in. to 14 in. (wide)

**990-10 Automated Flagger Assistance Devices (AFAD).**

**990-10.1 General:** AFAD's shall meet the physical display and operational requirements in the MUTCD and be listed on the APL. Manufacturers seeking evaluation of their product for the APL must include detailed vendor drawings, signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Florida, showing typical application of the device in accordance with Standard Plans, Index 102-603. All electronic assemblies shall meet the requirements of NEMA TS-5-2017 Section 4.

**990-10.1.1 Stop/Slow Automated Flagger Assistance Devices:** Provide a remotely operated Stop/Slow AFAD including a Stop/Slow sign that alternately displays the stop face and the slow face of a Stop/Slow paddle.

When a gate arm is used, ensure that the gate arm descends to a down position across the approach lane of traffic when the stop face is displayed and then ascends to an upright position when the slow face is displayed.

Ensure the gate arm is fully retroreflectorized on both sides, with vertical alternating red and white stripes at 16 inch intervals measured horizontally in accordance with the MUTCD. When the arm is in the down position blocking the approach lane:

1. The minimum vertical aspect of the arm and sheeting shall be 2 inches; and,
2. The end of the arm shall reach at least to the center of the lane being controlled.

**990-10.1.2 Red/Yellow Lens Automated Flagger Assistance Devices:** Provide a remotely operated Red/Yellow Lens AFAD that alternately displays a steadily illuminated circular red lens and a flashing circular yellow lens to control traffic.

Ensure that the Red/Yellow Lens AFAD includes a gate arm that descends to a down position across the approach lane of traffic when the steady circular red lens is illuminated and then ascends to an upright position when the flashing circular yellow lens is illuminated.

Ensure that the gate arm is fully retroreflectorized on both sides, with vertical alternating red and white stripes at 16 inch intervals measured horizontally in accordance with the MUTCD. When the arm is in the down position blocking the approach lane:

1. The minimum vertical aspect of the arm and sheeting shall be 2 inches; and,
2. The end of the arm shall reach at least to the center of the lane being controlled.

Do not provide a change interval between the display of the steady circular red indication and the display of the flashing circular yellow indication. Provide a steady illuminated circular yellow indication, with at least a 5 second duration, between the transition from flashing circular yellow indication and the display of the steady circular red indication. The Engineer may approve a different duration, provided it falls within the range recommended by the MUTCD.

### **990-11 Temporary Barrier.**

Producers of temporary concrete barrier seeking inclusion on the Department's Production Facility Listing shall meet the requirements of Section 105.

Manufacturers seeking evaluation of proprietary temporary barrier systems for inclusion on the APL must meet MASH TL-3 criteria and submit the following:

1. Product drawings, signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Florida, which at a minimum must include:
  - a. Freestanding and anchored details, as appropriate
  - b. Section views and tables showing required setback distance (deflection space) for all installation configuration options
  - c. Alignment and Length of Need requirements
  - d. Transition and overlap details
  - e. End treatment details
2. Installation manuals
3. Crash testing reports
4. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters

### **990-12 Temporary Crash Cushion (Redirective or Gating).**

Manufacturers seeking evaluation of crash cushions for inclusion on the APL must meet MASH TL-2 or TL-3 criteria and submit the following:

1. Product drawings, signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Florida, which at a minimum must include:

a. Anchorage details for both the crash cushion and abutting temporary barrier

b. Tables showing the relevant system information and lengths for all options

c. Length of need location

d. Transition details

e. List of all components

2. Installation manuals

3. Crash testing reports

4. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters

### **990-13 Truck Mounted Attenuators and Trailer Mounted Attenuators:**

Equip truck mounted and trailer mounted attenuator units with lights and reflectors in compliance with applicable Florida motor vehicle laws, including turn signals, dual tail lights, and brake lights. Ensure that lights are visible in both the raised and lowered positions if the unit is capable of being raised.

Install either alternating black with yellow or white with orange sheeting on the rear of trailer mounted attenuators and truck mounted attenuators in both the operating and raised position. Use Type III (work zone) or Type IV sheeting consisting of 4 or 6 inch wide stripes installed to form chevrons that point upward. All sheeting except black must be retroreflective.

Manufacturers seeking evaluation of truck mounted attenuators or trailer mounted attenuators for inclusion on the APL must meet the MASH TL-2 or TL-3 criteria and submit the following:

1. Minimum and maximum support vehicle weights

2. User manuals

3. Crash testing reports

4. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters

### **990-14 Channelizing Devices.**

**990-14.1 General:** Provide channelizing devices in accordance with the MUTCD and the dimensions shown in the Standard Plans.

**990-14.2 Product Application:** Manufacturers seeking inclusion of channelizing devices on the APL shall submit the following:

1. For Cones, Drums, and Tubular Markers:

a. Photographs

b. Drawings of sufficient detail to distinguish between similar devices

c. Manufacturer self-certification of MASH compliant

2. For Barricades and Vertical Panels:

a. Installations Instructions

b. Photographs

c. Drawings (may be included in Installation Instructions) of sufficient detail to distinguish between similar devices

- d. Any field assembly details and technical information necessary for proper application and installation
- e. Crash testing reports demonstrating the device meets MASH TL-3
- f. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters

**990-15 Pedestrian Longitudinal Channelizing Devices.**

**990-15.1 General:** Provide pedestrian Longitudinal Channelizing Devices (LCDs) in accordance with the MUTCD and the Standard Plans.

**990-15.2 Product Application:** Manufacturers seeking inclusion of pedestrian LCDs on the APL must submit the following:

- a. Installations Instructions
- b. Photographs
- c. Drawings (may be included in Installations Instructions) of sufficient detail to distinguish between similar devices
- d. Any field assembly details and technical information necessary for proper application and installation
- e. Crash testing reports demonstrating the device meets MASH TL-3
- f. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters

**990-16 Flagger Equipment.**

**990-16.1 STOP/SLOW Paddles:** Provide STOP/SLOW paddles with rigid handles in accordance with the MUTCD and the Standard Plans.

**990-16.1.1 Product Application:** Manufacturers seeking inclusion of STOP/SLOW Paddles on the APL must submit the following:

- a. Photographs or drawings of sufficient detail to distinguish between similar devices
- b. Manufacturer self-certification of MASH compliance

**990-17 Portable Temporary Lane Separator.**

**990-17.1 General:** Provide portable temporary lane separator in accordance with the Standard Plans and must come in connectable sections of 36 inches to 48 inches in length.

**990-17.2 Product Application:** Manufacturers seeking inclusion of portable temporary lane separator on the APL shall submit the following:

- a. Installations Instructions
- b. Photographs
- c. Drawings (may be included in Installation Instructions) of sufficient detail to distinguish between similar devices
- d. Any field assembly details and technical information necessary for proper application and installation
- e. Crash testing reports demonstrating the device meets MASH TL-3
- f. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters