# Index 304 Detectable Warnings And Sidewalk Curb Ramps

## **ORIGINATION**

**Date:** 3/8/17

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## **COMMENTARY**

Sheet 1: Added Note 1.D to the General Notes; Clarified Slope Breaks and Joints in CURB RAMP NOMENCLATURE.

## **COMMENTS AND RESPONSES**

**BLACK** = Industry Review Comments **RED** = Standard Plans Response

Name: Ms. Paula Sheil

Date: Tuesday, September 5, 2017 1:59 PM

#### **COMMENT:**

Detectable warnings should be cast in place. This prevents the warning surface from "popping up" and causing a tripping hazard.

## RESPONSE: Date: 9/19/17

The intent is to move all Detectable Waning material and installation requirements to Specification 527, where it should be located. (Note: this change has been proposed in the past and the change was not successful in achieving approval by FHWA.)

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Date: Monday, September 25, 2017 5:30 PM

#### **COMMENT:**

- 1. Should consider adding detail(s) for offsetting median crossings, where median is wide enough to accommodate this, since there appears to be emphasis on providing them in urban settings.
- 2. The slope break along the outside of the ramp flares should not have a joint (when ramp is within corner return), since the corner of the flare can crack from vehicular loading. If a joint is provided, it is recommended to construct 1-ft. of the joint perpendicular to the curb (as is done for concrete turnouts). Suggest to include a detail for this in sheet 8 of 8.

#### **RESPONSE:**

**Date:** 9/26/17

- 1. This suggestion will be considered for future changes, as it is beyond the scope of the current revisions.
- 2. This issue was discussed with Maintenance and the agreement was that because of the change to 6" thick concrete within radial returns, allowing the joints would not be a significant issue. However, we will coordinate further with consideration for including the suggestion in the future.