# Sign Spacing, Device Spacing and Channelizing Taper Lengths

## Taper Lengths and Spacing of Channelizing Devices

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<tr>
<th>Speed (MPH)</th>
<th>Minimum Taper Length (L) for Lane Width (W)</th>
<th>Maximum Channelizer Spacing (CT)</th>
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<td>16 FT</td>
<td>18 FT</td>
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<td>50-55</td>
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## Longitudinal Buffer Space (B)

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<td>50-55</td>
<td>600</td>
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## Sign Spacing (S) for Advance Sign Series (1) (2)

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## Notes:

- Dimensions in feet unless otherwise noted.
- Spacings between signs and spacing between last sign and flagger, beginning of taper, or signed condition.
- Spacings may be adjusted as necessary to meet field conditions.

## Traffic Control Devices

### General Notes:

1. See standard plan $18.10$ for details and items not shown.
2. Existing signs shall be covered during working hours only. If in conflict with traffic control plans.
3. No direct payment will be made for relocating, covering, uncovering, or removing signs.
4. Cones allowed for daytime operations only.
5. Locate flashing arrow panels at beginning of taper when feasible. Arrow panels are always located behind channelizers or cones.

### Traffic Control Legend

- **S** - Sign (single sided)
- **S2** - Sign (double sided)
- **F** - Flagger
- **E** - Directional Indicator Bannekase
- **C** - Channelizer
- **B** - Bannekase
- **M** - Message board
- **T** - Traffic mounted attenuator
- **A** - Flashing arrow
WORK BEYOND RIGHT SHOULDER - UNDIVIDED OR DIVIDED ROADWAYS

NOTES:

SEE TCP SHEET 1 FOR SIGN SPACING AND TAPER LENGTHS.

FOR DIVIDED ROADWAYS, SIGNS SHALL BE PROVIDED ON LEFT AND RIGHT SIDE OF ROADWAY WITH DOWNSTREAM SIGN BEING OMITTED.

SHOULDER WORK - UNDIVIDED ROADWAYS

NOTES:

SEE TCP SHEET 1 FOR SIGN SPACING AND TAPER LENGTHS.
RIGHT SHOULDER WORK - HIGH SPEED DIVIDED ROADWAYS

NOTES:
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USED FOR WORK ON SHOULDER OR FOR WORK OFF SHOULDER WITH WORK VEHICLES PARKED ON THE SHOULDER OF A HIGH SPEED ROADWAY.

RIGHT SHOULDER WORK - MULTI-LANE FREeways WITH MEDIAN BARRIER

NOTES:
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LEFT SHOULDER WORK - HIGH SPEED DIVIDED ROADWAYS

USED FOR WORK ON SHOULDER OR FOR WORK OFF SHOULDER
WITH WORK VEHICLES PARKED ON THE SHOULDER OF A HIGH SPEED ROADWAY.

NOTES:
SEW TCP SHEET 1 FOR SIGN SPACING AND TAPER LENGTHS.

ONE-LANE TWO-WAY OPERATION WITH FLAGGERS

A MINIMUM OF TWO FLAGGERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO DIRECT TRAFFIC.
ADDITIONAL FLAGGERS MAY BE REQUIRED WHEN WORKING AT INTERSECTING
STREETS OR RAMPS AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER. NO DIRECT PAYMENT
WILL BE MADE FOR FLAGGERS.

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SINGLE LANE CLOSURE

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PARTIAL RAMP CLOSURE
NOTES:

SEE TCP SHEET 1 FOR SIGN SPACING AND TAPER LENGTHS.

(1) SIGN ONLY REQUIRED WHEN RAMP WIDTH IS REDUCED.

(2) THE LOCATION OF THE SIGN SEQUENCE AND MERGE TAPER SHOULD BE ADJUSTED SO THAT THE ARROW PANEL LOCATION IS NOT CONFUSING TO MOTORIST ON THE RAMP.

ENTRANCE RAMP AREA
MAINLINE WORK

NOTES:

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(1) SIGN ONLY REQUIRED WHEN RAMP WIDTH IS REDUCED.

(2) SIGN SHOULD BE PLACED ON THE RAMP TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE VISIBILITY OF MAINLINE TRAFFIC.

(3) THE LOCATION OF THE SIGN SEQUENCE AND MERGE TAPER SHOULD BE ADJUSTED SO THAT THE ARROW PANEL LOCATION IS NOT CONFUSING TO MOTORIST ON THE RAMP.

(4) CHANNELIZER SPACING AT 30'.

ENTRANCE RAMP AREA
ACCELERATION LANE WORK
NOTES:
SEE TCP SHEET 1 FOR SIGN SPACING AND TAPER LENGTHS.
(1) SIGN ONLY REQUIRED WHEN RAMP WIDTH IS REDUCED.
(2) CHANNELIZER SPACING AT 50'.
RAMP CLOSURE

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(1) CHANNELIZER SPACING AT 50'.

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DOUBLE LANE CLOSURE

NOTES:
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INTERIOR LANE CLOSURE