

# **The Colorado Supplement to the Federal Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices 2000**

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## **PART I - GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### **Section 1A.02 Principles of Traffic Control Devices.**

The second 'Guidance' section, first paragraph is deleted and substituted with the following: Whenever official traffic control devices are used to make known traffic regulations prescribed by law, the statutory definitions of such devices shall apply, if a definition exists. These definitions are found in section 42-1-102, C.R.S. Whenever words and phrases are not defined in state statutes, the definitions in or adopted by reference in the body of the MUTCD shall apply.

### **Section 1A.07 Responsibility for Traffic Control Devices.**

The four paragraphs under 'Support' are deleted and section 42-4-104, C.R.S., (adoption of traffic control manual) is substituted.

### **Section 1A.08 Authority for Placement of Traffic Control Devices.**

The paragraph after 'Guidance' is deleted and substituted with section 42-4-606, C.R.S., (Display of unauthorized signs or devices). This statutory section provides that no traffic control device shall bear any commercial advertising. Advertising devices are only authorized in accordance with sections 43-1-401 through 43-1-421, C.R.S., (Roadside advertising).

### **Section 1A.13 Definitions of Words and Phrases in this Manual.**

The first paragraph under 'Standard' is deleted and substituted with the following: Unless otherwise defined herein, the statutory definitions found in section 42-1-102, C.R.S., the definitions contained in the most recent edition of the AASHTO Transportation Glossary (Highway Definitions), all other specified in section 1A.13 of the MUTCD are incorporated and adopted by reference.

## **CHAPTER 2B - REGULATORY SIGNS**

### **Section 2B.15 Location of Speed Limit Signs. (R2-5 Series)**

After the 'Standard' a fourth paragraph is added:

At the boundaries of incorporated cities and towns, the speed limits for residential and business districts, and optionally for parks and alleyways, may be shown followed by the message UNLESS OTHERWISE POSTED. Counties may request the above message be posted at the appropriate locations.

**Sections 2B.34 Parking, Standing, and Stopping Signs. (R7 and R8 Series)**  
**2B.35 Design of Parking, Standing, and Stopping Signs.**  
**2B.36 Placement of Parking, Stopping, and Standing Signs.**  
**2B.37 Emergency Restriction Signs (R-4, R8-7, and R8-8)**

The following is provided for informational purposes:

Sections 42-4-1202, 42-4-1204, 42-4-1205, and 42-4-1208, C.R.S., provide for parking prohibitions that are effective without sign postings. Other parking restrictions or prohibitions and those not specified by statute must be sign posted to make known the regulations. Special care should be taken, through the use of arrows or supplemental word messages, to assure that the motorist is fully aware of the limits of the regulated zone.

**Section 2B.43 Weight Limit Signs. (R12-1 through R12-5)**

A second paragraph is added to the 'Standard':

Traffic regulations and vehicle permits based on vehicle weight are regulated by sections 42-4-501 to 42-4-512, C.R.S.

**CHAPTER 2C - WARNING SIGNS**

**Section 2C.06 Horizontal Alignment Signs. (W1-1 through W1-5)**

A second and third paragraphs are added to the 'Standard':

The Horseshoe Curve Sign, a Colorado design, is intended for use to warn of a single U-shaped curve or a combination of curves in the same direction separated by tangents of less than 600 feet. If the curves can be negotiated safely at a speed over 30 miles per hour, curve signs should be used instead.

Where a "switchback" is created by two successive horseshoe curves, the sign intended is the Colorado designed Reverse Horseshoe Curve Sign.

**Section 2C.48 Other Warning Signs.**

A new section is added to the Colorado Supplement:

In unfenced rural areas where cattle or sheep may graze close to the highway or wander onto or across the road, the Colorado Department of Transportation designed RANGE/CATTLE or OPEN/RANGE signs may be used.

**Chapter 2D - GUIDE SIGNS - CONVENTIONAL ROADS**

**Section 2D.02 Application.**

The following paragraph is added after the first paragraph under 'Support':

The Colorado Department of Transportation has adopted "Guide Signing Practices and Procedures" on the use of official guide signs on conventional highways on the State Highway System.

## **Section 2D.11 Design of Route Signs. (M1-1 through M1-7)**

The following paragraph is added after the first paragraph after the first 'Standard':  
The State Highway System Route Marker shall consist of a square plate or panel, at least 24 inches in size, carrying in the upper portion a representation of the Colorado State flag and in the lower portion the State Highway route number in black on a white background. County Road Markers shall be distinguishable from the State Highway System Route Marker.

## **Section 2D.49 Trail Signs.**

The following paragraph is added under the first paragraph under 'Support':  
The Colorado Department of Transportation designed "Scenic Byway Sign" is the only trail sign authorized for use on any scenic byway designated by the Colorado Transportation Commission.

## **CHAPTER 2E - GUIDE SIGNS - FREEWAYS AND EXPRESSWAYS**

### **Section 2E.01 Scope of Freeway and Expressway Signing Principles.**

The following paragraph is added under the first paragraph under 'Standard':  
The Colorado Department of Transportation has adopted "Guide Signing Practices and Procedures" on the use of official guide signs on all highways of the State Highway System.

## **CHAPTER 2F - SPECIFIC SERVICE SIGNS**

### **Section 2F.01 Eligibility.**

The following paragraph is added under the first paragraph under 'Standard':  
Pursuant to section 43-1-420, C.R.S., the Colorado Department of Transportation has adopted rules and regulations for the erection, administration and maintenance of specific information signs in Colorado.

## **CHAPTER 2G - TOURIST-ORIENTED DIRECTIONAL SIGNING**

### **Section 2G.07 State Policy.**

The following paragraph is added under the first paragraph under 'Standard':  
Pursuant to section 43-1-420, C.R.S., the Colorado Department of Transportation has adopted rules and regulations for the erection, administration and maintenance of Tourist Oriented Directional Signs.

## **PART III - MARKINGS**

### **CHAPTER 3A - GENERAL**

#### **Section 3A.01 Functions and Limitations.**

The following fourth paragraph is added under 'Support':

Section 42-1-102 (51), C.R.S., defines: "Markings" means all lines, patterns, words, colors, or other devices, except signs, set into the surface of, applied upon, or attached to the pavement or curbing or to objects within or adjacent to the roadway, conforming to the state traffic control manual and officially placed for the purpose of regulating, warning, or guiding traffic.

### **CHAPTER 3B - PAVEMENT AND CURB MARKINGS**

#### **Section 3B.02 No-Passing Zone Pavement Markings and Warrants**

After the second 'Standard' the paragraph in 'Support' is deleted and the following is substituted in its place:

Section 42-4-1005, C.R.S., states the purpose and requirements of no-passing zone markings. For purposes of this statute, this MUTCD section 3B.1 describes the design and application of no-passing zone markings which shall be followed in Colorado. It is necessary that the zones be determined and marked with great care in conformity with the MUTCD. However, the absence of any such markings does not relieve the driver from his responsibility to exercise due caution and safety when overtaking and passing another vehicle in accordance with section 42-4-1005, C.R.S.

#### **Section 3B.21 Curb Markings.**

The first paragraph under 'Standard' is deleted. The first paragraph under 'Guidance' is deleted.

## **PART IV - SIGNALS**

### **CHAPTER 4D - TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL FEATURES**

#### **Section 4D.04 Meaning of Vehicle Signal Indications.**

The paragraph in 'Support' is deleted and substituted with the following:

Sections 42-4-604, 42-4-605, and 42-4-612, C.R.S., set forth the meaning of traffic control signal indications. These meanings shall apply uniformly throughout the State.

## **CHAPTER 4E - PEDESTRIAN CONTROL FEATURES**

### **Section 4E.02 Meaning of Pedestrian Signal Indications.**

The paragraph under 'Standard' is deleted in its entirety and substituted with the following: Sections 42-4-604, 42-4-801 and 42-4-802, C.R.S., set forth the meaning of pedestrian control signal indications. These meanings shall apply uniformly throughout the State.

## **CHAPTER 4J - LANE USE CONTROL SIGNALS**

### **Section 4J.02 Meaning of Lane-Use Control Signal Indications.**

The paragraph under 'Standard' is deleted in its entirety and substituted with the following: Section 42-4-604 C.R.S., sets forth the meaning of lane use control signal indications. These meanings shall apply uniformly throughout the State.

## **CHAPTER 4K - FLASHING BEACONS**

### **Sections 4K.01 through 4K.05 Flashing Beacons.**

All flashing beacon signal meanings shall be substituted with the meanings given in section 42-4-605, C.R.S.

## **PART VIII - TRAFFIC CONTROLS FOR HIGHWAY-RAIL GRADE CROSSINGS.**

### **CHAPTER 8A - GENERAL**

#### **Section 8A.01. Introduction.**

The third paragraph under 'Support' is deleted.

## **PART IX - TRAFFIC CONTROLS FOR BICYCLE FACILITIES.**

### **CHAPTER 9A - GENERAL**

#### **Section 9A.05. Relation to Other Documents.**

The first paragraph under 'Support' is deleted and substituted with the following: Section 42-4-1412, C.R.S., describes the duties and responsibilities of bicyclists when using the public streets and highways of this State.

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