



National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices

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ATTACHMENT NO. 4

NCUTCD Proposal for Changes to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE: GMI Committee
ITEM NUMBER: XX
TOPIC: Sight Roadways Open to Public Travel (SROPT)
ORIGIN OF REQUEST: Edit Committee
AFFECTED SECTIONS OF MUTCD: 2D

DEVELOPMENT HISTORY:

- Approved by Technical Committee: 1/7/2016
- Approved by NCUTCD Council: 1/8/2016

This is a proposal for recommended changes to the MUTCD that have been developed by a technical committee of the NCUTCD. The NCUTCD is distributing it to its sponsoring organizations for review and comment. Sponsor comments will be considered in revising the proposal prior to NCUTCD Council consideration. This proposal does not represent a revision of the MUTCD and does not constitute official MUTCD standards, guidance, or options. If approved by the NCUTCD Council, the recommended changes will be submitted to FHWA for consideration for inclusion in a future MUTCD revision. The MUTCD can be revised only through the federal rulemaking process.

SUMMARY:

The proposed change, approved by Council, were part of the Edit Committee Ballot 15A.EC.01 which had gone to sponsors for SROPT. GMI Technical Committee reviewed the comments pertaining to the portion of the ballot GMI was responsible for and made changes based on the comments received. The language show in this ballot represents the changes presented to Council and subsequently approved. The recommended changes added general language for SROPT to section 2D.01, eliminating the need for the specific SROPT language in all subsequent sections of 2D.

DISCUSSION

Incorporating language into each appropriate section of the MUTCD to include guidance for SROPT was taken as the direction instead of attempting to generate a completely new section for SROPT in the manual.

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RECOMMENDED MUTCD CHANGES

The following present the proposed changes to the current MUTCD within the context of the current MUTCD language. Proposed additions to the MUTCD are shown in blue underline and proposed deletions from the MUTCD are shown in ~~red strikethrough~~. Changes previously approved by NCUTCD Council (but not yet adopted by FHWA) are shown in green double underline for additions and ~~green double strikethrough~~ for deletions. In some cases, background comments may be provided with the MUTCD text. These comments are indicated by [highlighted light blue in brackets].

Section 1A.02 Principles of Traffic Control Devices [shown for reference purposes only]

Standard:

08 SROPT: All traffic control devices used on site roadways open to public travel shall have the same shape, color, and meaning as those required by the MUTCD for use on public highways, except as allowed by the guidance in Section 1A.03, paragraph 05. Sign size exceptions are noted in each Chapter as applicable.

Chapter 2D. Guide Signs – Conventional Roads

Section 2D.01 Scope of Conventional Road Guide Sign Standards

Standard:

01 The provisions of this Chapter shall apply to any road or street ~~other than low volume roads (as defined in Section 5A.01)~~ [Deleted by Council 1/10/14], other than expressways and freeways.

Option:

02 SROPT: Except as noted in Section 1A.03, fFor site roadways open to public travel with operating speeds of less than 25 miles per hour, deviation from the provisions of this Chapter may be modified.

Standard:

03 SROPT: When a deviation is utilized modification is made it shall be based upon engineering judgment that considers speed, traffic characteristics and other site specific considerations.