



National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices

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

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE: Regulatory and Warning Signs Committee and Signals Technical Committee

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TOPIC: R5-XX, R5-XY – NO THRU TRAFFIC and NO THRU TRUCK TRAFFIC signs and R5-Xp – EXCEPT LOCAL DELIVERIES plaque.

ORIGIN OF REQUEST: RWSTC Task force. Tom Heydel RWSTC (chair), Scott Kuznicki, Dave Woosley, Dan Waddle, Richard Meredith

AFFECTED SECTIONS OF MUTCD: Section 2B.39 (Selective Exclusion Signs)

DEVELOPMENT HISTORY: Task force: 11-27-16, revised 11-28-16, updated 12-11-16, revised 1-4-17, updated 1-5-17, revised 6-4-17 following sponsor comments

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- Approved by RW Technical Committee following sponsor comments: 06/28/2017
- Approved by NCUTCD Council: 06/30/2017

This is a proposal for recommended changes to the MUTCD that has been approved by the NCUTCD Council. This proposal does not represent a revision of the MUTCD and does not constitute official MUTCD standards, guidance, or options. It 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:

No Thru Traffic/No Thru Truck Traffic/No Thru Trucks: According to the Synthesis of signs done by FHWA in 2005, many cities and at least 8 States use regulatory “No Thru Traffic” and/or No Thru Trucks or “No Thru Truck Traffic” to prohibit the use of a local residential street by thru traffic (or thru trucks). Typically, a “thru” vehicles is defined in State law or local ordinance as one that enters the street at one end (where the sign is posted) and proceeds all the way through the residential area or to the end of the street, without use of an intermediate destination along the way. Thus, use of the street to travel to or from one’s own residence or business, or to visit someone, is allowed.

31 Trucks that use the street to stop and make a local delivery (or do a garbage pickup) before
32 proceeding out to the other end are also allowed. But a truck that uses the street as a convenient
33 cut-thru to save time or avoid congestion, without a legitimate stop along the street, is a violator.
34 Police typically enforce this type of regulation, after receiving resident complaints, by trailing
35 potential offenders through the neighborhood to see if they stop along the way. An alternative
36 signing scheme used by at least three (3) States is to add a plaque “except local deliveries” (or
37 similar wording) to the standard R5-2 (No Truck symbol) sign.

38 The City of Tampa Florida asked RWSTC chair (Bill Lambert) why the R10-9 was removed
39 from the 2009 MUTCD and is the No Thru Truck Traffic sign still being used? If not, what sign
40 should be used, the R5-2 (NO TRUCKS symbol sign)?



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43 As it turns out the R10-9 sign did not exist in either the 2009, 2003, 2000, 1988, 1978, or 1971
44 MUTCD. Also, none of these MUTCD versions contained any sign regarding No Thru Traffic
45 or No Thru Trucks. However, as the signs are being used in some jurisdictions, should there be a
46 standard sign(s) in the MUTCD?

47 The R5-2 NO TRUCKS symbol sign by itself would not be proper for the application described.
48 The R5-2 or R5-2a sign with an optional plaque “EXCEPT LOCAL DELIVERIES” could be
49 used.

50 FHWA recommended adding the uniform legends of NO THRU TRAFFIC, NO THRU
51 TRUCKS and EXCEPT LOCAL DELIVERIES plaque in the synthesis of signs.

52 **DISCUSSION:**

53 Add an R5-XX (NO THRU TRAFFIC), R5-XY (NO THRU TRUCKS). Also, add R5-Xp
54 (EXCEPT LOCAL DELIVERIES) plaque to Section 2B.39 for mounting under the R5-2 No
55 TRUCKS symbol sign. These Selective Exclusion Signs occur in many Cities and States and
56 this will provide for uniformity in sign message.

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58 **RECOMMENDED MUTCD CHANGES**

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60 The following present the proposed changes to the current MUTCD within the context of the
61 current MUTCD language. Proposed additions to the MUTCD are shown in blue underline and
62 proposed deletions from the MUTCD are shown in ~~red strikethrough~~. Changes previously

63 approved by NCUTCD Council (but not yet adopted by FHWA) are shown in green double
64 underline for additions and ~~green double strikethrough~~ for deletions. In some cases, background
65 comments may be provided with the MUTCD text. These comments are indicated by
66 [highlighted light blue in brackets].

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69 Chapter 2B. REGULATORY SIGNS, BARRICADES, AND GATES

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71 Section 2B.39 Selective Exclusion Signs

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73 Support:

74 01 Selective Exclusion signs (see Figure 2B-11) give notice to road users that State or local
75 statutes or ordinances exclude designated types of traffic from using particular roadways or
76 facilities

77 **Standard:**

78 02 **If used, Selective Exclusion signs shall clearly indicate the type of traffic that is excluded.**

79 Support:

80 03 Typical exclusion messages include:

- 81 A. No Trucks (R5-2),
- 82 B. NO MOTOR VEHICLES (R5-3),
- 83 C. NO COMMERCIAL VEHICLES (R5-4),
- 84 D. NO TRUCKS (VEHICLES) WITH LUGS (R5-5),
- 85 E. No Bicycles (R5-6),
- 86 F. NO NON-MOTORIZED TRAFFIC (R5-7),
- 87 G. NO MOTOR-DRIVEN CYCLES (R5-8),
- 88 H. No Pedestrians (R9-3),
- 89 I. No Skaters (R9-13),
- 90 J. No Equestrians (R9-14), and
- 91 K. No Hazardous Material (R14-3) (see Section 2B.62).
- 92 L. NO THRU TRAFFIC (R5-XX),
- 93 M. NO THRU TRUCKS (R5-XY)
- 94 N. EXCEPT LOCAL DELIVERIES (R5-Xp)

95 Option:

96 04 Appropriate combinations or groupings of these legends into a single sign, such as NO
97 PEDESTRIANS BICYCLES MOTOR-DRIVEN CYCLES (R5-10a), or NO PEDESTRIANS
98 OR BICYCLES (R5-10b) may be used.

99 *Guidance:*

100 05 *If an exclusion is governed by vehicle weight, a Weight Limit sign (see Section 2B.59) should*
101 *be used instead of a Selective Exclusion sign.*

102 06 *If used on a freeway or expressway ramp, the NO PEDESTRIANS OR BICYCLES (R5-10b)*
103 *sign should be installed in a location where it is clearly visible to any pedestrian or bicyclist*
104 *attempting to enter the limited access facility from a street intersecting the exit ramp.*

105 07 *The Selective Exclusion sign should be placed on the right-hand side of the roadway at an*
106 *appropriate distance from the intersection so as to be clearly visible to all road users turning*
107 *into the roadway that has the exclusion. The NO PEDESTRIANS (R5-10c) or No Pedestrian*
108 *Crossing (R9-3) sign (see Section 2B.51) should be installed so as to be clearly visible to*
109 *pedestrians who are at a location where an alternative route is available.*

110 Option:
111 08 The NO PEDESTRIANS (R5-10c) or No Pedestrian Crossing (R9-3) sign may also be used at
112 underpasses or elsewhere where pedestrian facilities are not provided.

113 09 The NO TRUCKS (R5-2a) word message sign may be used as an alternate to the No Trucks
114 (R5-2) symbol sign. [An EXCEPT LOCAL DELIVERIES \(R5-Xp\) plaque may be mounted](#)
115 [under the R5-2 or R5-2a sign.](#)

116 09a [The NO THRU TRAFFIC \(R5-XX\) or NO THRU TRUCKS \(R5-XY\) signs may be used at](#)
117 [locations to prohibit through traffic from using a particular roadway or facility.](#)

118 09b [The EXCEPT LOCAL DELIVERIES \(R5-Xp\) plaque may be mounted under the R5-XY](#)
119 [sign.](#)

120 10 The AUTHORIZED VEHICLES ONLY (R5-11) sign may be used at median openings and
121 other locations to prohibit vehicles from using the median opening or facility unless they have
122 special permission (such as law enforcement vehicles or emergency vehicles) or are performing
123 official business (such as highway agency vehicles).

124 **Add R5-XX (NO THRU TRAFFIC) and R5-XY (NO THRU TRUCKS) signs and R5-Xp**
125 **(EXCEPT LOCAL DELIVERIES) sign plaque to Figure 2B-11.**



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