



Traffic Control Device: **Work Zone**

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Subject: **Off-Road Operations**

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Purpose

Off-road operations include all activities which are done away from the surface of the road but within the right-of-way. The duration of the operation is typically greater than ten minutes. Safety of the motorist and workers requires that some form of advance warning be provided and maintained.

Protection of the travelling public, and the safety of workers is paramount. However, these must be weighed against the cost and time involved with the installation and removal of the necessary traffic control devices.

Definition

Off Road Operations - Include any operation where **the activity is off the road surface but within the highway right-of-way**. Off-road operations include maintenance activities including culvert cleaning, sign installation, and any other activity including work done by utilities where workers are exposing the motorist to possible hazards off the road surface.

Policy

Where work using workers and/or equipment is being done on any Provincial Trunk Highway or Provincial Road, away from the road surface but within the highway right-of-way, and the duration of that work is greater than 10 minutes, a minimum level of traffic control must be established and maintained for the time that workers or equipment are present.

Standard

Traffic control must consist of at least the minimum installation as described in the following Traffic Management Plans (TMP): See Drawings TMP-1, TMP-2.

The work zone must be left in a safe condition prior to workers and equipment leaving the work site. All excavations must be closed or protected.

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