

STREET NAME SIGNS AT SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS

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RECOMMENDED PRACTICES

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General

Street Name signs should be placed on traffic signal cantilevers at signalized intersections on provincial highways to inform motorists of the crossing road and allow them to make the appropriate maneuver. The signs should be designed to have good legibility, allowing drivers to make comfortable turns eliminating and navigational errors.

Standard

Street Name signs should consist of white letters on a green background. The lettering should be provided in Clearview upper/lower case font. The border width of the Street Name signs shall conform to the Alberta Highway Guide and Information Sign Manual.

The vertical dimensions of the Street Name signs are determined by the height of the letters.

- For highways with posted speed limits less than or equal to 60 km/h, the height of the letters should be 15 cm.
- For highways with posted speed limits greater than 60 km/h, the height of the letters should be 20 cm.

The horizontal dimensions of the Street Name signs are determined by the length of the message. For extreme cases where the length exceeds the available space on the cantilever, abbreviations or a smaller font size should be considered. The font size for signs on highways with posted speed limits equal to or below 60 km/h, and for posted speed limits greater than 60 km/h should not be less than 13 cm and 15 cm respectively.

Guidelines for Use

The installation of Street Name signs should be considered upon request by a municipality. The signs should only be installed at new or existing signalized intersections where a major collector intersects a provincial highway.

The structural integrity of the signal support structure should be confirmed prior to installation.

Guidelines for Placement

Street Name signs should be placed on the traffic signal cantilever arms. They should be centred between the signal pole shaft and the nearest signal head or designated lane sign on the cantilever. A minimum space of 50 cm should be kept between the Street Name sign and the nearest signal head or designated lane sign.

Installation and Maintenance

The supply and installation of Street Name signs for existing signal cantilevers will be the responsibility of the municipality. Street Name sign installation for a new signalized intersection should be included as a part of the intersection improvement.

Maintenance and replacement of the signs will be the responsibility of Alberta Transportation.



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References to Standards

Typical Sign	See attached Sign
Pattern	Pattern ID-220

CANTILEVER MOUNT STREET NAME SIGN (FOR SPEED LIMITS 60 km/h OR LOWER)

ID-220



FONT: I50mm/90mm ClearviewHwy 2-W IF NECESSARY, FONT SIZE CAN BE REDUCED UP TO A MINIMUM OF I30mm.

NOTE: THIS SIGN PATTERN IS FOR ILLUSTRATION ONLY. THE SIGN PANEL WIDTH IS VARIABLE AS REQUIRED BY THE STREET NAME AND SIGNAL CANTILEVER LENGTH.

SECTION R	EFERENCE		
DIMENSIONS (mm)		1500 x 300	
ENLARGEM	ENT FACTOR	IO x	Albertan
COLOUR		Transportation	
BACKGROUND	BORDER	MESSAGE / SYMBOL	
GREEN	WHITE	WHITE	

Summerside Rd

FONT: 200mm/120mm ClearviewHwy 2-W IF NECESSARY, FONT SIZE CAN BE REDUCED UP TO A MINIMUM OF 150mm.

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DIMENSIC	NS (mm)	2100 x 400	
ENLARGEM	ENT FACTOR	l2 x	Albertan
COLOUR		Transportation	
BACKGROUND	BORDER	MESSAGE / SYMBOL	
GREEN	WHITE	WHITE	