TRAFFIC OPERATIONS POLICY DIRECTIVE

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SUBJECT:
Inclusion of new and deletion of existing regulatory parking, stopping and loading signs in the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (California MUTCD).

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DOES THIS DIRECTIVE AFFECT OR SUPERSEDE ANOTHER DOCUMENT? ☒ YES ☐ NO

IF YES, DESCRIBE
Amends Chapter 2B of the California MUTCD and incorporates changes to Chapter 2B enacted as part of Traffic Operations Policy Directive 08-02 & 08-04.

WILL THIS DIRECTIVE BE INCORPORATED IN THE CALIFORNIA MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES? ☒ YES ☐ NO

IF YES, DESCRIBE
Chapter 2B, Sections 2B.39 & 2B.40

DIRECTIVE

Pursuant to the authority granted to the California Department of Transportation (Department) in Section 21400 and 21401 of the California Vehicle Code (CVC), the following new signs shall be included in Part 2 of the California MUTCD, dated September 26, 2006:

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IMPLEMENTATION

In this section, for purposes of clarity, strikethrough text is used to denote text in the California MUTCD that is being deleted and italic text is used to denote text that is being added to the California MUTCD. All other formatting as defined under the Definitions section of this Policy Directive is still applicable.

The following policies shall be included in the California MUTCD:

Section 2B.39 Parking, Standing, and Stopping Signs (R7 and R8 Series)

Support:

Signs governing the parking, stopping, and standing of vehicles cover a wide variety of regulations, and only general guidance can be provided here. The word “standing” when used on the R7 and R8 series of signs refers to the practice of a driver keeping the vehicle in a stationary position while continuing to occupy the vehicle. California Vehicle Code (CVC) Section 463 defines “parking”, which involves the standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not. However, the temporary loading or unloading of merchandise or passengers is not considered parking. CVC Section 587 defines “stopping”, which involves the cessation of vehicle movement. Typical examples of parking, stopping, and standing loading signs are shown in (see Figures 2B-16, 2B-16(CA) and 2B-17) are as follows:

A. NO PARKING ANY TIME (R7-1);
B. NO PARKING 8:30 AM TO 5:30 PM (R7-2);
C. NO PARKING EXCEPT SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS (R7-3);
D. NO STANDING ANY TIME (R7-4);
E. ONE HOUR PARKING 9 AM - 7 PM (R7-5);
F. NO PARKING LOADING ZONE (R7-6);
G. NO PARKING BUS STOP (R7-7, R7-107, R7-107a);
H. RESERVED PARKING for persons with disabilities (R7-8);
I. NO PARKING ON PAVEMENT (R8-1);
J. NO PARKING EXCEPT ON SHOULDER (R8-2);
K. NO PARKING (R8-3);
L. No Parking (R8-3a); and
M. NO STOPPING ON PAVEMENT (R8-5).

Support:

Refer to CVC 22500 through 22658 regarding the authorities for the various parking, stopping and loading signs.

Parking Regulations

Option:

Parking on freeways which have full control of access and no crossing at grade may be prohibited under CVC 21960.

Parking on other State highways may be restricted or prohibited under CVC 22505 and 22506.

Support:

The Department of Transportation’s District Director is authorized to issue orders prohibiting or restricting the parking of vehicles on State highways. The District Director is also authorized to approve ordinances or resolutions of local authorities prohibiting or restricting parking on State highways.
IMPLEMENTATION (Continued)

The delegation of maintenance activities to local authorities is usually exercised under the authority of Streets and Highways Code Section 130. Under a proposal to delegate maintenance and parking regulation authority under CVC Section 22506, the Department retains the authority to regulate parking under the three conditions specified in CVC Section 22505(a). The District Director of Transportation is authorized to make this delegation of authority.

Policy on Parking Restrictions

Guidance:

No Parking Permitted at Stopping Any Time – Parking Stopping should be prohibited at locations where the prohibition would reduce the risk of collisions or where parking would unduly interfere with the movement of traffic.

No Parking Anytime – Parking should be prohibited at locations where the prohibition is necessary to accommodate other activities and objectives, such as street sweeping, snow removal, public safety or preferential parking.

Option:

Major factors that may be considered for No Stopping Anytime include:

- Narrow roadway width.
- Restricted visibility at intersections for pedestrian and vehicular traffic.
- Narrow shoulder width.
- Conversion of a parking lane to a through lane or right-turn lane.

Support:

Limited Time Parking - The Department of Transportation does not issue orders for limited time parking.

Option:

Limited time parking restrictions may be initiated by local authorities and approved by the Department. Parking prohibitions between certain hours may also be initiated by local authorities.

Standard:

Before time limit parking regulations are approved in rural areas, assurance shall be obtained from the enforcement agency that the regulation will be actively enforced.

Special Signs

Option:

The OK TO PARK ON BRIDGE (R22(CA)) sign may be used to inform motorists that parking is permitted on a bridge. Refer to CVC 22500(k).

Guidance:

The PARK PARALLEL (R24(CA)) sign should only be used where diagonal parking is prevalent, in violation of CVC 22502.

Standard:

The SCHOOL BUS ONLY w/ Double Arrow (R24A(CA)), TAXICAB ONLY w/ Double Arrow (R24B(CA)) and TOUR BUS ONLY w/ Double Arrow (R24C(CA)) signs shall be used to inform motorists of location of stands for use by school buses, taxicabs and tour buses, respectively. Refer to CVC 21112.

The MAIL DEPOSIT ONLY w/ Double Arrow (R24D(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists of curb restrictions at locations for depositing mail in an adjacent mailbox. Refer to CVC 21458(a)(3)(B).

The BLOCK WHEELS TO CURB (R24E(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists when parking on a hill to block the wheels of the vehicle by turning them against the curb, or by other means, when leaving it to stand unattended upon any grade exceeding 3 percent. Refer to CVC 22509.
IMPLEMENTATION (Continued)

Option:

The PARK OFF PAVEMENT (R25(CA)) sign may be used where it is likely that vehicles may stop on the traveled way and interfere with through traffic. It may also be used as a temporary sign in snow areas where parking is permitted.

Standard:

The LOADING ONLY 7AM TO 6PM EXCEPT SUNDAY 30 MINUTE LIMIT w/ Double Arrow (R25A(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists of curb restrictions at locations for loading or unloading passengers or freight for the time as specified by local ordinance. Refer to CVC 21458(a)(2).

The following signs shall be used to inform motorists of curb restrictions at locations for loading or unloading of passengers for the time as specified by local ordinance. Refer to CVC 21458(a)(3)(A).

- Passenger Loading ONLY 5 MINUTE LIMIT w/ Double Arrow (R25B(CA)) sign
- PASSENGER LOADING ONLY 5 MINUTE LIMIT w/ Double Arrow (R25C(CA)) sign
- School Passenger Loading ONLY 7AM TO 4PM SCHOOL DAYS 5 MINUTE LIMIT w/ Double Arrow (R25D(CA)) sign
- PASSENGER LOADING ONLY 7AM TO 4PM SCHOOL DAYS 5 MINUTE LIMIT w/ Double Arrow (R25E(CA)) sign
- School Bus Passenger Loading ONLY w/ Double Arrow (R25F(CA)) sign
- Taxicab Passenger Loading ONLY w/ Double Arrow (R25G(CA)) sign
- Tour Bus Passenger Loading ONLY w/ Double Arrow (R25H(CA)) sign

The CAR SHARE PARKING ONLY PERMIT REQUIRED w/ Double Arrow (R25J(CA)) sign shall be used to designate certain streets or portions of streets for the exclusive parking privilege of vehicles participating in a car share vehicle program or ridesharing program. Refer to CVC 22507.1.

Option:

The NO PARKING ANY TIME with arrow (R28(CA)) or without arrow (R26(CA)) signs may be used to inform motorists of a parking prohibition at a specific location. The NO PARKING ANY TIME with arrow (R28A(CA)) or without arrow (R26A(CA)) signs may be used where a larger size is desirable.

CVC Section 21718 prohibits the stopping, parking or leaving of any vehicle upon a freeway. Large NO PARKING ANY TIME (R26(CA)) or EMERGENCY PARKING ONLY (R8-4) signs may be installed on freeways which have full control of access and no crossing at grade to inform traffic that stopping, parking or leaving of any vehicle upon a freeway is prohibited.

The TOW-AWAY NO PARKING ANY TIME (R26J(CA)) sign may be used to inform motorists of a parking prohibition and tow-away zone at a specific location. The NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER (R26B(CA)) sign may be used where a larger size is desirable.

The No Parking (R8-3a) sign may be used to inform motorists of a parking prohibition at a specific location. The No Parking plaques (R26E(CA)) may be placed below the R8-3a sign to indicate specific parking exceptions or restrictions such as EXCEPT SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS, 6 AM – 6 PM / MON – FRI, ON BRIDGE, ON PAVEMENT, EXCEPT ON SHOULDERS, 6 AM – 6 PM w/Arrow, HERE TO CORNER, LOADING ZONE w/Arrow and TOW – AWAY ZONE.

The NO STOPPING FIRE LANE (R26F(CA)) sign may be used to inform motorists of a designated fire lane. Refer to CVC 22500.1.
IMPLEMENTATION (Continued)

Standard:
The NO STOPPING ANY TIME (R26(S)(CA)) sign or Tow-Away NO STOPPING ANY TIME (R26L(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists of a No Stopping Zone at a specific location where red curb marking is not used.

Option:
The NO STOPPING ANY TIME (R26A(S)(CA)) sign may be used where a larger size is desirable.
The NO PARKING ON BRIDGE (R27(CA)) sign may be used only where parking is prevalent in violation of CVC 22500(k). The NO PARKING ON BRIDGE (R27A(CA)) sign may be used where a larger size is desirable.
The NO STOPPING ANY TIME with arrow (R28(S)(CA)) sign may be used to inform motorists of no stopping zones. Use only where the beginning and ending points of the prohibition are not otherwise indicated. The NO STOPPING ANY TIME with arrow (R28A(S)(CA)) sign may be used where a larger size is desirable.

Standard:
The NO STOPPING BUS ONLY w/ Arrow (R28C(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists of no stopping zones at bus stops.

On State highways, the NO PARKING VEHICLES OVER 6 FT HIGH (R28B(CA)) or NO PARKING VEHICLES OVER 6 FT HIGH w/ Double Arrow (R28D(CA)) or NO STOPPING VEHICLES OVER 6 FT HIGH w/ Double Arrow (R28D(S)(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists of a parking or stopping prohibition, which applies only to vehicles greater than 1.8 m (6 ft) or more in height. Refer to CVC 22505.

Option:
The R28B(CA) or R28D(CA) or R28D(S)(CA)) sign may be installed within 30 m (100 ft) of an intersection to improve the visibility of the motorists in accordance with CVC 22507.

Standard:
The NO PUBLIC PARKING SUBJECT TO CITATION AND REMOVAL AT OWNER’S EXPENSE (R28E(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists of a parking prohibition on private property. Refer to CVC 22658.
The No Parking VEHICLES OVER 5 TONS (R28F(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists of a parking prohibition in a residential district for commercial vehicles having a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating of 5 tons or more. Refer to CVC 22507.5.
The No Stopping/No Parking Specific Hours (R29(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists of a stopping and parking prohibition during certain hours at a specific location.
The No Parking Specific Hours (R30(CA) and R30A(CA)) signs shall be used to inform motorists of a parking restriction during certain hours at a specific location.
The No Parking 10AM TO 12 PM WEDNESDAY STREET SWEEPING (R30B(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists of a parking prohibition for the purpose of street sweeping. Refer to CVC 22507.6.
The No Parking 2AM TO 6AM EXCEPT BY PERMIT (R30C(CA)) or No Parking 2AM TO 6 AM CITYWIDE EXCEPT BY PERMIT (R30D(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists of a parking prohibition between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. Refer to CVC 22507.5.

Guidance:
When used, the R30D(CA) sign should be posted below the City Limit (G9-5(CA)) sign or downstream from a freeway off-ramp. Refer to CVC 22507.5.
IMPLEMENTATION (Continued)

Option:
The No Parking/Parking Specific Hours (R31(CA) and R32B(CA)) and No Stopping/Parking Specific Hours (R31(S)(CA)) signs may be used to inform motorists of a stopping/parking prohibition during certain hours and a parking time limit during other hours at a specific location. The R31(S)(CA) sign is used for stopping prohibitions, generally during peak traffic hours.

The Limited Hour/Minute Parking Specific Hours (R32(CA) and R32A(CA)) signs may be used to inform motorists of a parking time limit with specific hours and/or minutes during certain hours at a specific location.

Standard:
The 2 HOUR PARKING 8AM TO 6 PM DISTRICT 7 PERMITS EXEMPT (R32C(CA)) sign or 30 MINUTE PARKING 2AM TO 6 AM DISTRICT 3 PERMITS EXEMPT (R32D(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists of a parking time limit designation of certain streets upon which preferential parking privileges are given to residents and merchants adjacent to the streets for their use, under which the residents and merchants can be issued a permit or permits that exempt them from the prohibition or restriction. Refer to CVC 22507.

A combined 2 HOUR PARKING 8AM TO 4PM – PASSENGER LOADING ONLY 4PM TO MIDNIGHT 5 MINUTE LIMIT w/ Double Arrow (R32E(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists of a parking time limit with specific hours and of curb restrictions at locations for loading or unloading of passengers for the time as specified by local ordinance. Refer to CVC 21458(a)(3)(A).

The 2 HOUR PARKING 8AM TO 6 PM MOTORCYCLE PARKING ONLY w/ Double Arrow (R32F(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists of a parking time limit with specific hours for motorcycles. Refer to CVC 22503.5.

Option:
The Tow-Away No Stopping/No Parking Specific Hours (R37(CA)) sign may be used to inform motorists of no stopping and parking prohibitions and tow-away zone at a specific location.

The Tow-Away No Parking/Limited Hour Parking Specific Hours (R38(CA)) sign may be used to inform motorists of a parking restriction and tow-away zone at a specific location.

The Tow-Away No Stopping/Limited Hour Parking Specific Hours (R38(S)(CA)) sign may be used for stopping prohibitions, generally during peak hours.

Standard:
The combined TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING 7AM TO 9AM - PASSENGER LOADING ONLY ALL OTHER TIMES 5 MINUTE LIMIT w/ Double Arrow (R38A(CA)) sign shall be used to inform motorists of no stopping and parking prohibitions and tow-away zone at a specific location during specific hours and of curb restrictions at locations for loading or unloading of passengers for the time as specified by local ordinance. Refer to CVC 21458(a)(3)(A).

Option:
The NO PARKING OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES EXCEPT BY PERMIT (R39(CA)) sign may be used on any roadway in which local ordinance or resolution per CVC Section 22505 and 22507 has been established to prohibit parking of commercial vehicles.

Standard:
If used, the R39(CA) sign shall be used to identify only those street or highway locations, either State or local, upon which parking of commercial vehicles is prohibited, except by permit, as established by the local ordinance or resolution.
IMPLEMENTATION (Continued)

Standard Option:

The Disabled Accessible Parking Only (R99(CA)) sign in combination with MINIMUM FINE $250 (R99B(CA)) plaque; or, Accessible Parking Only Minimum Fine $250 (R99C(CA)) sign may shall be used in on-street and off-street parking facilities to designate stalls for vehicles with a special identification license plate or a distinguishing placard for disabled persons with disabilities.

Support:

The R99(CA) sign in combination with the R99B(CA) plaque; or, R99C(CA) sign, blue pavement markings and International Symbol of Accessibility Marking, are required for enforcement of these parking areas. Refer to CVC 22511.7 and 22511.8.

Standard:

The VAN ACCESSIBLE (R7-8b) sign shall be mounted below the Disabled Accessible Parking Only (R99(CA)) sign in combination with MINIMUM FINE $250 (R99B(CA)) plaque; or, Accessible Parking Only Minimum Fine $250 (R99C(CA)) sign of the disabled person parking space for persons with disabilities designated as the van accessible space as provided in the California Building Code Section 1129B.

Option:

The TOW-AWAY SPECIAL PLACARD OR LICENSE PLATE REQUIRED (R100A(CA)) sign may be used with the R99(CA) sign in combination with the R99B(CA) plaque; or, R99C(CA) sign to inform motorists that their vehicle will be towed away if they do not have a special identification license plate or a distinguishing placard for disabled persons with disabilities.

Standard:

The Disabled Tow-Away (R100B(CA)) sign shall be placed immediately adjacent to, and visible from, the stall or space, or at each entrance to an off street parking facility to inform motorists that their vehicle will be towed away if they park in designated stalls or spaces without a special identification license plate or a distinguishing placard for disabled persons with disabilities. The sign shall include the address where the towed vehicle can be reclaimed and the telephone number of the local traffic law enforcement agency. Refer to CVC 22511.8 and 22511.9.

Option:

The TOW-AWAY NO PARKING WHEN SNOW REMOVAL CONDITIONS EXIST (SR49(CA)) sign may be used to prohibit or restrict the parking or standing of vehicles on designated streets or highways, or portions thereof, for the purpose of snow removal. Refer to CVC 22510.

Guidance:

The SNOW NOT REMOVED BEYOND HERE (SR20-1(CA)) sign should be erected at the beginning of the snow season and removed in the spring when the road is opened. The SR20-1(CA) sign should be placed at a location that will provide a motorist the opportunity to turn around.

Option:

The DISPLAY OF VEHICLES FOR SALE PROHIBITED (SR26(CA)) sign may be used on any roadway in which local ordinance or resolution per Streets and Highway Code, Section 731 has been established to prohibit the display of vehicles for sale.

Standard:

If used, the SR26 (CA) sign shall be used to identify only those street or highway locations, either State or local, upon which display of vehicles for sale is prohibited, as established by the local ordinance or resolution.
IMPLEMENTATION (Continued)

Option:
The CHAIN INSTALLATION ONLY (R74(CA)) sign may be erected where parked vehicles interfere with normal winter operations.

Guidance:
The R74(CA) sign should be turned or covered at the end of the chain requirement season.

Standard:
The CHAINS REQUIRED (X MILE (X MILES)) AHEAD (R75(CA)) sign shall be used to give advance notice that chains are required ahead.
The CHAINS REQUIRED (R76(CA)) sign shall be used at the beginning of chain control areas and intermittently as needed.

Support:
The R76(CA) sign is installed in combination with the Speed Limit (R2-1), R79(CA) and R80(CA) signs.

Option:
The ON SINGLE AXLE DRIVE VEHICLE WITH TRAILER (R76-1(CA)) sign may be used when road conditions are such that only single drive vehicles with trailers need chains.

Standard:
When used, the R76-1(CA) sign shall be mounted below the CHAINS REQUIRED (R76(CA)) sign.
The NO EXCEPTIONS (R77(CA)) sign shall be used with the Speed Limit (R2-1) and CHAINS REQUIRED (R76(CA)) signs when chains are required with no exceptions.
The END CHAIN CONTROL (R78(CA)) sign shall be used to advise the motorist that the chain control area has ended.
The AUTOS & PICKUPS SNOW TIRES OK – CARRY CHAINS (R79(CA)) sign shall be used with the Speed Limit (R2-1) and CHAINS REQUIRED (R76(CA)) signs when chains are required but autos and pickups with snow tires are excepted from using chains.
The 4-W DRIVE WITH SNOW TIRES OK – CARRY CHAINS (R80-1(CA)) sign shall be used with the Speed Limit (R2-1) and CHAINS REQUIRED (R76(CA)) signs when chains are required.

Support:
Vehicles with four wheel drive and snow tires on all four wheels are exempt from using chains.

Section 2B.40 Design of Parking, Standing, and Stopping Signs

Support:
Discussions of parking signs and parking regulations in this Section apply not only to parking, but also to standing and stopping and loading.

Standard:
The legend on parking signs shall state applicable regulations. Parking signs shall conform to the standards of shape, color, and location.

The colors in parking signs shall conform to their associated curb zone colors. Where parking is prohibited at all times or at specific times, the basic design for parking signs shall have a red legend and border on a white background (Parking Prohibition signs). Where only limited-time parking or parking in a particular manner are permitted, the signs shall have a green legend and border on a white background (Permissive Parking signs). Where an exclusive zone is established for passenger loading or mail deposit, the signs shall have a black legend on a white background. Where an exclusive zone is established for freight or passenger loading,
IMPLEMENTATION (Continued)

the signs shall have a black legend on a yellow background. Where an exclusive zone is established for disabled persons, the signs shall have a white legend on a blue background, as shown on the R99(CA) sign.

In zones where vehicles can be towed for violating the posted prohibition restriction, the “Tow-Away” message or symbol shall be used.

Guidance:

Parking signs should display the following information from top to bottom of the sign, in the order listed:

A. Any tow-away message or symbol
B. The restriction or prohibition;
C. The times of the day that it is applicable, if not at all hours; and
D. The days of the week that it is applicable, if not every day.
E. Qualifying or supplementary information.
F. Exemptions to the restriction or prohibition.

If the parking restriction applies to a limited area or zone, the limits of the restriction should be shown by arrows or supplemental plaques. If arrows are used and if the sign is at the end of a parking zone, there should be a single-headed arrow pointing in the direction that the regulation is in effect. If the sign is at an intermediate point in a zone, there should be either no arrows or a double-headed arrow pointing both ways. When a single sign is used at the transition point between two parking zones, it should display a right and left arrow pointing in the direction that the respective restrictions apply.

Where special parking restrictions are imposed during heavy snowfall, Snow Emergency signs should be installed. The legend will vary according to the regulations, but the signs should be vertical rectangles, having a white background with the upper part of the plate a red background.

When used to direct drivers to van-accessible parking facilities, a VAN ACCESSIBLE (R7-8b) plaque (see Figure 2B-16) should be mounted below the D9-6 sign. Where parking spaces that are reserved for persons with disabilities are designated to accommodate wheelchair vans, a VAN ACCESSIBLE (R7-8a) plaque (see Figure 2B-16) should be mounted below the R7-8 R99(CA) sign.

Option:

To minimize the number of parking signs, blanket regulations that apply to a given district may, if legal, be posted at district boundary lines.

As an alternate to the use of arrows to show designated restriction zones, word messages such as BEGIN, END, HERE TO CORNER, HERE TO ALLEY, THIS SIDE OF SIGN, or BETWEEN SIGNS may be used.

Where parking is prohibited during certain hours and time-limited parking or parking in a particular manner is permitted during certain other time periods, the red Parking Prohibition and green Permissive Parking signs may be designed as follows:

A. Two 300 x 450 mm (12 x 18 in) parking signs may be used with the red Parking Prohibition sign installed above or to the left of the green Permissive Parking sign;
B. The red Parking Prohibition sign and the green Permissive Parking sign may be combined to form an R7-200 sign on a single 600 x 450 mm (24 x 18 in) sign, or on a single 300 x 750 mm (12 x 30 in) sign.

At the transition point between two parking zones, a single sign or two signs mounted side by side may be used. The words NO PARKING may be used as an alternative to the No Parking symbol. The supplemental educational plaque, NO PARKING, with a red legend and border on a white background, may be used above signs incorporating the No Parking symbol.
IMPLEMENTATION (Continued)

Alternate designs for the R7-107 sign may be developed such as the R7-107a sign (see Figure 2B-16). Alternate designs may include, on a single panel, a transit logo, an approved bus symbol, a parking prohibition, the words BUS STOP, and an arrow. The preferred bus symbol color is black, but other dark colors may be used. Additionally, the transit logo may be shown on the bus face in the appropriate colors instead of placing the logo separately. The reverse side of the sign may contain bus routing information.

To make the parking regulations more effective and to improve public relations by giving a definite warning, a sign (see Figure 2B-16) reading TOW AWAY ZONE (R7-201) may be appended to, or incorporated in, any parking prohibition sign. The Tow Away Zone (R7-201a) symbol sign may be used instead of the R7-201 word message sign. The R7-201a sign may have either a black or red legend and border on a white background.

In rural areas, the legend NO PARKING ON PAVEMENT (R8-1) is generally suitable and may be used. If a roadway has paved shoulders, the NO PARKING EXCEPT ON SHOULDER sign (R8-2) may be used as it is less likely to cause confusion. The R8-3a symbol sign or the word message NO PARKING (R8-3) sign may be used to prohibit any parking along a given highway. Word message supplemental plaques (see Figure 2B-17), such as ON PAVEMENT (R8-3c) or ON BRIDGE (R8-3d), may be mounted below the R8-3 or R8-3a sign.

In all applications of this policy, engineering judgment must be exercised. The objective is to provide uniform applications of signs statewide. If there are any questions regarding implementation, districts should consult with the Headquarters Traffic Operations Liaison.

DELEIGATION

No new delegations of authority are created under this policy.
BACKGROUND

The revision of existing signs and inclusion of new signs in the California MUTCD is a common practice based upon need. The Department, pursuant to CVC Section 21400; must conduct public hearings before it can revise existing traffic control device policies and approve new signs for use on public roadways. The California Traffic Control Devices Committee (CTCDC) is the forum used to satisfy this requirement.

The City of San Francisco sent a letter dated August 14, 2006 to the Department regarding their use of non-standard signs. The letter transmitted photos of 53 regulatory, warning and guide signs with nonstandard messages and formats intended to address special situations. This topic was placed on the agenda of the October 26, 2006 meeting of the CTCDC. The CTCDC did not wish to investigate the feasibility of using other methods or other traffic control devices to address the special situations. However, it was noted that the photos included 17 parking related signs where the restrictions were authorized in the California Vehicle Code but where no corresponding standard existed in the California MUTCD.

The CTCDC recognized a need to address the uniformity of parking signs and appointed a subcommittee task force to examine the issue. The task force comprised of members representing the cities of Los Angeles, San Francisco and Sacramento and the counties of San Bernardino and San Diego. This task force completed the review and presented their findings to the CTCDC in April 2007. The CTCDC concurred with the findings of the task force and recommended in their June 2, 2007 that the Department should adopt the revised parking signs into the California MUTCD.

This Policy Directive reflects previous amendments to Section 2B.39 of the California MUTCD that were enacted as part of Traffic Operations Policy Directive (TOPD) 08-02 (effective July 1, 2008) and 08-04 (effective September 12, 2008). TOPD 08-02 revised Section 2B.39 to address changes to, pursuant to the requirements of Assembly Bill 1531 (DeSaulnier), the Accessible Parking Only (R99(CA)) sign, the MINIMUM FINE $250 (R99B(CA)) plaque and the Accessible Parking Only Minimum Fine $250 (R99C(CA)) sign. TOPD 08-04 revised Section 2B.39 to implement, at the request of the Town of Apple Valley, the new NO PARKING OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES EXCEPT BY PERMIT (R39(CA)) sign and the new DISPLAY OF VEHICLES FOR SALE PROHIBITED (SR26(CA)) sign. Please reference these TOPD’s for the policy and background information regarding these signs.

The Federal Highway Administration has reviewed the proposed modifications to the California MUTCD and has determined that they are in substantial compliance with the MUTCD.

This policy will be retired when it is incorporated in the next revision of the California MUTCD.
DEFINITIONS

When used in this Traffic Operations Policy Directive, the text shall be defined as follows:

1) **Standard** – a statement of required, mandatory or specifically prohibited practice. All standards text appears in **bold** type. The verb **shall** is typically used. Standards are sometimes modified by Options.

2) Guidance – a statement of recommended, but not mandatory, practice in typical situations, with deviations allowed if engineering judgment or engineering study indicates the deviation to be appropriate. All Guidance statements text appears in **underline** type. The verb **should** is typically used. Guidance statements are sometime modified by Options.

3) Option – a statement of practice that is a permissive condition and carries no requirement or recommendation. Options may contain allowable modifications to a Standard or Guidance. All Option statements text appears in normal type. The verb **may** is typically used.

4) Support – an informational statement that does not convey any degree of mandate, recommendation, authorization, prohibition, or enforceable condition. Support statements text appears in normal type. The verbs shall, should and may are not used in Support statements.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Pages 16-18  Revisions to existing Figures 2B-16, 2B-16(CA) and 2B-17.
2. Pages 19-21  Revised Figure 2B-16(CA).
3. Pages 22-55  Details of new signs R24A(CA) through R38A(CA)
Figure 2B-16. No Parking Signs (R7 Series)

R7-1
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EMERGENCY SNOW ROUTE
NO PARKING IF OVER 2 INCHES
Figure 2B-16 (CA) California No Parking Signs (Sheet 1 of 2)
Figure 2B-16 (CA). California No Parking Signs (Sheet 1 of 3)
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BUS TAIL LIGHTS - RED (RETROREFLECTIVE)
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NOTE: See Standard Arrow Detail for Regulatory Signs in Appendix.

**R25J (CA)**

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NOTE: For symbol details, see Standard Highway Signs, Appendix, "Towing".

R26K (CA)

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NO PUBLIC PARKING

SUBJECT TO CITATION AND REMOVAL AT OWNER’S EXPENSE CALL POLICE DEPARTMENT AT (123) 456-7890 TO RECLAIM VEHICLE

R28E (CA)

COLORS: BORDER & LEGEND - RED (RETROREFLECTIVE)
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2/17/09
VEHICLES OVER 5 TONS

R28F (CA)

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STREET SWEEPING

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2/17/09
STATE OF CALIFORNIA - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

2 HOUR PARKING
8 AM TO 4 PM

PASSenger Loading only
4 PM TO MIDNIGHT
5 MINUTE LIMIT

R32E (CA)

TOP COLORS: BORDER & LEGEND - GREEN (RETROREFLECTIVE)
            BACKGROUND - WHITE (RETROREFLECTIVE)

BOTTOM COLORS: BORDER & LEGEND - BLACK
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TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING
7AM TO 9AM

PASSENGER LOADING ONLY
ALL OTHER TIMES
5 MINUTE LIMIT

R38A (CA)

TOP
COLORS: BORDER & LEGEND - RED (RETROREFLECTIVE)
BACKGROUND - WHITE (RETROREFLECTIVE)

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