

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Memorandum

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To: DEPUTY DISTRICT DIRECTORS, Construction
DEPUTY DIVISION CHIEF, Structure Construction
CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS
SENIOR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERS
RESIDENT ENGINEERS

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Subject: **CATEGORY 2 TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES**

This directive is to remind resident engineers to verify that Category 2 devices used on projects meet the requirements of Section 12-3, "Temporary Traffic Control Devices," of the *Standard Specifications*.

Category 2 temporary traffic control devices are small devices that weigh less than 100 pounds, which include barricades and portable sign supports, in accordance with Section 12-3.01A(2), "Definitions," of the *Standard Specifications*. The resident engineer must review the submitted list of proposed Category 2 devices the contractor will use on the project, in accordance with Section 12-3.01A(3), "Submittals," of the *Standard Specifications*. The Category 2 device must be listed on the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Safety Program website:

https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/roadway_dept/countermeasures/reduce_crash_severity/listing.cfm?code=workzone

The Category 2 device must be labeled with an FHWA acceptance letter code and the manufacturer name, in accordance with Section 12-3.01B, "Materials," of the *Standard Specifications*. Specifically, Type 3 barricade with sign support may be used on projects if it meets National Cooperative Highway Research Program Report 350 criteria or the *Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware* (MASH) as a single unit with an attached sign panel, in accordance with Section 12-3.10B, "Materials," of the *Standard Specifications*.

If you have questions or comments regarding this directive, please contact Marvin Guinez, Division of Construction, at Marvin.Guinez@dot.ca.gov or at (916) 654-4580.