## TABLE 1 GUIDELINES FOR SIGN SPACING **SPEED** MINIMUM DISTANCE FROM ADDITIONAL SIGNS IN SERIES MINIMUM COMBINED TAPER TO FIRST SIGN TO BE SPACED AT A MINIMUM ADVANCED WARNING M.P.H. С D Α 200' 25-30 200' 200' 600' 30-35 300' 300' 300' 900' 500' 500' 500' 1500' 40-45 800' 700' 1100' 2600 45-65 (OPTIONAL)

EXAMPLE: TWO LANES, ONE-WAY ROADWAY

TERMINATION AREA	WORK AREA	BUFFER AREA	TRANSITION AREA	ADVANCE WARNING AREA
LETS TRAFFIC RESUME NORMAL DRIVING  500' MAX.		PROVIDES ADDITIONAL PROTECTION FOR TRAFFIC AND WORKERS SEE CHART BELOW FOR BUFFER ZONE LENGTHS	MOVES TRAFFIC OUT OF ITS NORMAL PATH  SEE CHART BELOW FOR TAPER LENGTHS	TELLS TRAFFIC WHAT TO EXPECT AHEAD  SEE CHART ABOVE FOR SIGN SPACING A B C A B C
	WORK SITE		000	

## NOTE: THE POSTED SPEED PLUS 10 MPH SHOULD BE USED FOR THE DESIGN OF SIGN SPACING, TAPER AND BUFFER LENGTHS

TABLE 2

GUIDELINES FOR TAPER LENGTHS						
TAPER LENGTH			TH	NUMBER OF	SPACING OF DEVICES	
SPEED	LANE WIDTH IN FT.			DEVICES		
M.P.H.	10	11	12	FOR TAPER	ALONG TAPER IN FEET	
20	70	75	80	5	20	
25	105	115	125	6	25	
30	150	165	180	7	30	
35	205	225	245	8	35	
40	270	295	320	9	40	
45	450	495	540	13	45	
50	500	550	600	13	50	
55	550	605	660	13	55	
60	600	660	720	13	60	
65	650	715	780	13	65	

 $L = WS^2/60$  FOR SPEEDS EQUAL TO OR LESS THAN (<) 40 MPH

WHERE: L = MINIMUM LENGTH OF TAPER (FT.)

S = NUMERICAL VALUE OF PREVAILING TRAVEL SPEED OR SPEED LIMIT (MPH), WHICHEVER IS HIGHER, PRIOR TO WORK STARTING.

W = WIDTH OF OFFSET (FT.)

## TABLE 3

SPEED (MPH)  20 35 25 55 30 85 35 120 40 170 45 220 50 280 555 335	GUIDELINES FOR BUFFER ZONE LENGTHS			
25 55 30 85 35 120 40 170 45 220 50 280 55 335	SPEED (MPH)	LENGTH (FEET)		
65 485	25 30 35 40 45 50 55 60	55 85 120 170 220 280 335 415		

## NOTES:

LENGTHS IN TABLE 2 ARE MINIMUM TAPER LENGTHS REQUIRED FOR MERGING TRAVEL LANES (MERGING TAPERS). WHEN SHIFTING TAPER) AND CONDITIONS DO NOT PERMIT USE OF THE LENGTHS IN TABLE 2. LENGTHS EQUAL TO ONE-HALF THOSE IN TABLE 2 MAY BE USED.

MERGING TAPERS SHALL BE A MINIMUM 1,000 FEET ON EXPRESSWAYS AND FREEWAYS UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.

WHEN USED, ARROW PANELS SHOULD BE PLACED ON THE SHOULDER AT THE BEGINNING OF THE TAPER. WHERE NO SHOULDER EXISTS, ARROW PANELS SHOULDER BE PLACED WITHIN THE TAPER AS CLOSE TO THE BEGINNING OF THE TAPER AS POSSIBLE.



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