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## **Land Transport Rule Regulatory Systems Amendment 2025**

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# Land Transport Rule

## Regulatory Systems Amendment 2025

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## **Section 1      Preliminary provisions**

### **1.1      Title**

This Rule is Land Transport Rule: Regulatory Systems Amendment 2025.

### **1.2      Commencement**

This Rule comes into force on **1 August 2025**.

### **1.3      Objective**

The objective of this Rule is to make minor amendments to the land transport rules to ensure that those rules remain up-to-date and fit for purpose.

### **1.4      Principal Rules amended**

This Rule amends the following Land Transport Rules:

- (a) Land Transport Rule: Glazing, Windscreen Wipe and Wash, and Mirrors 1999:
- (b) Land Transport Rule: Heavy-vehicle Brakes 2006:
- (c) Land Transport Rule: Heavy Vehicles 2004:
- (d) Land Transport Rule: Light-vehicle Brakes 2002:
- (e) Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Dimensions and Mass 2016:
- (f) Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Standards Compliance 2002:
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- (h) Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004.

## **Section 2      Glazing, Windscreen Wipe and Wash, and Mirrors 1999**

### **2.1      Amendments to the Land Transport Rule: Glazing, Windscreen Wipe and Wash, and Mirrors 1999**

This Section amends the Land Transport Rule: Glazing, Windscreen Wipe and Wash, and Mirrors 1999.

### **2.2      New clause 4.2A inserted (Requirements for windscreen wash systems fitted to Class LE vehicles)**

After clause 4.2, insert:

<b>4.2A</b>	<b>Requirements for windscreen wash systems fitted to Class LE vehicles</b>
	A windscreen wash system fitted to a Class LE vehicle—
(a)	must not be removed from the vehicle; and
(b)	must be capable of keeping an adequate area of the windscreen clean and clear so that the motor vehicle may be operated safely:
(i)	at all times; and
(ii)	under all reasonably foreseeable conditions, including adverse weather conditions.

### **2.3      Clause 4.3 amended (General safety requirements)**

In clause 4.3(3), replace “In assessing whether the” with “In assessing whether the requirements in 4.2A or the”.

## **Section 3      Heavy-vehicle Brakes 2006**

### **3.1      Amendments to the Land Transport Rule: Heavy-vehicle Brakes 2006**

This Section amends the Land Transport Rule: Heavy-vehicle Brakes 2006.

### **3.2      Clause 1.2 amended (Scope of the Rule)**

Replace clause 1.2(4)(b) with:

(b)      6.1(2)(a) and 6.1(2)(b);

### **3.3      Clause 2.3 amended (Requirements for different types of brake)**

Replace clause 2.3(1) with:

- |         |  |     |  |      |  |       |  |     |                            |      |  |       |  |
|---------|--|-----|--|------|--|-------|--|-----|----------------------------|------|--|-------|--|
| 2.3(1)  | The service brake of a vehicle must be able to be applied by the driver from the driver's normal driving position in a controlled and progressive manner.  |     |  |      |  |       |  |     |                            |      |  |       |  |
| 2.3(1A) | The service brake of a vehicle must not have any device fitted by which the driver would be able to adjust the brake force distribution between the axles or between the vehicles that are used in a combination vehicle.  |     |  |      |  |       |  |     |                            |      |  |       |  |
| 2.3(1B) | However, 2.3(1A) does not apply to— <table border="0" style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-right: 10px;">(a)</td> <td>a heavy haulage trailer; or</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-right: 10px;">(b)</td> <td>a military trailer; or</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-right: 10px;">(c)</td> <td>a vehicle (not being a trailer) complying with one of the approved vehicle standards in 2.5(2) where the device—             <table border="0" style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-right: 10px;">(i)</td> <td>is original equipment; and</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-right: 10px;">(ii)</td> <td>is an integral part of the vehicle's trailer brake control unit; and</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-right: 10px;">(iii)</td> <td>controls only intervehicle brake force distribution.</td> </tr> </table> </td> </tr> </table> | (a) | a heavy haulage trailer; or            | (b)  | a military trailer; or   | (c)   | a vehicle (not being a trailer) complying with one of the approved vehicle standards in 2.5(2) where the device— <table border="0" style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-right: 10px;">(i)</td> <td>is original equipment; and</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-right: 10px;">(ii)</td> <td>is an integral part of the vehicle's trailer brake control unit; and</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-right: 10px;">(iii)</td> <td>controls only intervehicle brake force distribution.</td> </tr> </table> | (i) | is original equipment; and | (ii) | is an integral part of the vehicle's trailer brake control unit; and | (iii) | controls only intervehicle brake force distribution. |
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| (b)     | a military trailer; or   |     |  |      |  |       |  |     |                            |      |  |       |  |
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| (ii)    | is an integral part of the vehicle's trailer brake control unit; and   |     |  |      |  |       |  |     |                            |      |  |       |  |
| (iii)   | controls only intervehicle brake force distribution.   |     |  |      |  |       |  |     |                            |      |  |       |  |
| 2.3(1C) | Any adjustable device fitted to the service brake of a vehicle that influences brake force must— <table border="0" style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-right: 10px;">(a)</td> <td>be sealed to prevent modification; and</td> </tr> </table>  | (a) | be sealed to prevent modification; and |      |  |       |  |     |                            |      |  |       |  |
| (a)     | be sealed to prevent modification; and   |     |  |      |  |       |  |     |                            |      |  |       |  |

- (b) remain set to the manufacturer's settings or to the settings certified by a person or organisation appointed to carry out specialist inspection and certification of heavy vehicle brakes.

### 3.4 New clause 2.7 inserted (ABS requirements)

After clause 2.6, insert:

<b>2.7</b>	<b>Requirement for ABS to be fitted</b>
2.7(1)	A vehicle of Class MD3, MD4, ME, NB, NC, TC or TD first registered in New Zealand must be fitted with an anti-lock braking system three months from when this Rule comes into effect.
2.7(2)	A vehicle of Class MD3, MD4, ME, NB, NC, TC or TD modified in such a way that may affect compliance with this Rule, must be fitted with an anti-lock braking system three months from when this Rule comes into effect.
2.7(3)	A vehicle to which 2.7(1) or 2.7(2) applies must, in addition to complying with the other applicable requirements in this Rule, comply with 7.4.
2.7(4)	For the purposes of 2.7(3), 7.4 must be read as though the reference to Class NB, NC, TC or TD vehicles first registered in New Zealand on or after 1 July 2008 was a reference to a vehicle to which 2.7(1) or 2.7(2) applies (as the case may be).

### 3.5 Clause 7.1 amended (Additional requirements for towing vehicles)

Replace clause 7.1(4)(c)(ii) with:

- (ii) be fitted with an anti-lock braking system except for a logging vehicle first registered in New Zealand three months from when this Rule comes into effect, provided that the standard with which it complies does not require an ABS function; and

### 3.6 Clause 7.2 amended (Additional requirements for trailers)

After clause 7.2(5), insert:



7.2(6)	A vehicle in 7.2(1) fitted with EBS must comply with the requirements of 7.5 when braked with the electric and pneumatic control lines.
7.2(7)	A vehicle in 7.2(1) that is fitted with ABS or EBS must have an additional back-up power supply circuit for the ABS or EBS system (as applicable), if that vehicle—
(a)	is first registered in New Zealand three months from when this Rule comes into effect; or
(b)	is modified in New Zealand three months from when this Rule comes into effect in such a way that may affect compliance with this Rule.

### 3.7 **Clause 7.5 amended (Specific performance requirements for vehicles manufactured or modified in New Zealand)**

Replace clause 7.5(2)(c) with:

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|-----|--|
| (c) | for a military trailer, a Class TC vehicle, a logging vehicle or a heavy haulage trailer that is first registered in New Zealand three months from when this Rule comes into effect, be the brake force specified in 7.5(2)(a) only when the vehicle is loaded to its gross vehicle mass, even if ABS is not fitted. |
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### 3.8 **Part 2 amended (Definitions)**

In Part 2, insert in its alphabetical order, the definition of **EBS**:

**EBS** means an electronically controlled braking system (EBS) that meets the system and function requirements of an approved vehicle standard in 2.5(2)(a) or (b).

### 3.9 **Schedule 5 amended (New Zealand Heavy-vehicle Brake Specification)**

In Schedule 5, clause 4.1.2(a) and clause 4.2.3, replace, each time it appears, “an electronically controlled braking system (EBS) that meets the definition of EBS in an approved vehicle standard in 2.5(2)(a) or (b) of this Rule” with “EBS”.

## **Section 4      Heavy Vehicles 2004**

### **4.1      Amendments to the Land Transport Rule: Heavy Vehicles 2004**

This Section amends the Land Transport Rule: Heavy Vehicles 2004.

### **4.2      Clause 1.2 amended (Scope of the rule)**

Replace clause 1.2(4) with:

1.2(4)	The applicable requirements in this rule for the purposes of specialist inspection and certification of heavy vehicles and specific aspects of those vehicles under <i>Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Standards Compliance 2002</i> are in 3.2(3), 4.4, 4.5, 4.6(3), 4.7(1)(c), 4.7(2), 4.7(2B), 4.7(3), 4.7(3A), 4.7(5), 4.8(1)(a)(iii), 4.8(2), 4.8(2B), 4.8(3), 4.8(3A), 4.8(4), 4.8(4A), 5.3(3), 5.5, 6.2 to 6.6 and 7.1(2).
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## **Section 5      Light-vehicle Brakes 2002**

### **5.1      Amendments to the Land Transport Rule: Light-vehicle Brakes 2002**

This Section amends the Land Transport Rule: Light-vehicle Brakes 2002.

### **5.2      Clause 2.7 amended (Advanced brake systems for motorcycles)**

Revoke clause 2.7(8).

### **5.3      Part 2 amended (Definitions)**

In Part 2, revoke the definition of **Sanctioned competition**.

## Section 6 Vehicle Dimensions and Mass 2016

### 6.1 Amendments to the Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Dimensions and Mass 2016

This Section amends the Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Dimensions and Mass 2016.

### 6.2 Clause 6.28 amended (Exception to travel time requirements for certain Category 1 or Category 2 overdimension motor vehicles)

- (1) In clause 6.28(1)(c), replace “width.” with “width; or”.
- (2) After clause 6.28(1)(c), insert new paragraph (d):

(d) the vehicle is a mobile crane, operated without a trailer or towing a trailer that does not exceed 2.55 m in width.

### 6.3 Clause 6.50 amended (Criteria for issuing a permit)

Replace clause 6.50(1) with:

6.50(1) The Director must, in considering an application for a permit, have regard to—

- (a) the safety of the vehicle; and
- (b) the safety of road users; and
- (c) the durability of roads and bridges on which the vehicle may operate.

6.50(1A) The Director may also, in considering an application for a permit, have regard to—

- (a) the suitability of the route;
- (b) potential congestion affecting other traffic;
- (c) the adequacy of the risk management measures identified by the operator;
- (d) any breaches of conditions of any permit previously issued to the operator under this Rule or *Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Dimensions and Mass 2002* and any traffic offending history of the operator.

### 6.4 Clause 6.56 amended (Revocation of a permit)

Replace clause 6.56(1) with:

- 6.56(1) The Director may revoke a permit if the Director considers that—
- (a) any of the conditions of the permit have not been complied with; or
  - (b) in the Director's opinion, the continued operation of the vehicle to which that permit relates may cause extraordinary damage to the road or property alongside or above the road.

## Section 7 Vehicle Standards Compliance 2002

### 7.1 Amendments to the Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Standards Compliance 2002

This Section amends the Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Standards Compliance 2002.

### 7.2 New clause 2.3A inserted (Requirements and conditions of appointment)

Insert new clause 2.3A:

<b>2.3A</b>	<b>Inspecting organisation to notify Director of certain changes</b>
2.3A(1)	An inspecting organisation must notify the Director of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) a change of name of the inspecting organisation:</li> <li>(b) a change of the natural person or persons (not being bodies corporate) who are in control of the inspecting organisation:</li> <li>(c) a change of name of any person in 2.3A(1)(b):</li> <li>(d) a change of the—               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) physical address at which the inspecting organisation carries on business; or</li> <li>(ii) the residential address of the person or persons who are in control of the inspecting organisation:</li> </ul> </li> <li>(e) in the case of an inspecting organisation that is a body corporate, a change in the status of the body corporate (including, but not limited to, merger, amalgamation, or dissolution).</li> </ul>
2.3A(2)	If the inspecting organisation is a body corporate, each person who is in control of the inspecting organisation must also comply with 2.3A(1).
2.3A(3)	Notification of a change in 2.3A(1)(a), (c) and (e) must be supported by documentary evidence of the change.

2.3A(4)	The notification in 2.3A(1) or 2.3A(2) must be given—
(a)	before the change occurs; or
(b)	if compliance with <i>paragraph (a)</i> is not practicable, not later than 14 days after it has occurred.
2.3A(5)	The notification in 2.3A(1) or 2.3A(2) must include any other identification information that the Director requires.
2.3A(6)	The notification in 2.3A(2) is not required if another person who is in control of the inspecting organisation has already given that notification.
2.3A(7)	For clarity, a change of name may result from (but is not limited to a change of name resulting from) marriage, civil union, declaration of change of name, merger, amalgamation, or dissolution.

### 7.3 Clause 6.5 amended (Specialist inspection and certification)

(1) Replace clause 6.5(1)(c) and (d) with:

- (c) subject to 6.5(3), low volume vehicle specialist inspection and certification by a person appointed under 2.2(1)(g), if the vehicle is a light vehicle that, since it was manufactured, has been modified so as to affect its compliance with an applicable requirement;
- (d) subject to 6.5(3), heavy vehicle specialist inspection and certification by a person appointed under 2.2(1)(i), if the vehicle is a heavy vehicle that, since it was manufactured, has been modified so as to affect its compliance with an applicable requirement, including modifications to its chassis, brakes, log bolster attachments, towing connections or load anchorages;

(2) Replace clause 6.5(3) with:

6.5(3) Low volume vehicle specialist inspection and certification, or heavy vehicle specialist inspection and certification, is not required in respect of a particular modification if—

- (a) that modification has previously been inspected and certified for compliance in accordance with 6.5; or
- (b) the modified vehicle has been inspected by a vehicle inspector or inspecting organisation appointed under 2.2(1)(d), (e) or (f) in accordance with requirements and conditions imposed by the Director under 2.3, and the inspector or organisation is satisfied, on reasonable grounds, that the modification is not one where certification is specifically required and the risk of injury to any person has been minimised; or
- (c) that modification was made to the vehicle for the purposes of law enforcement.

**7.4 Clause 7.5 amended (Specialist inspection and certification)**

- (1) Replace clause 7.5(1)(a) and (b) with:

- (a) subject to 7.5(3), low volume vehicle specialist inspection and certification by a person appointed under 2.2(1)(g), if the vehicle is a light vehicle that, since it was manufactured, has been modified so as to affect its compliance with an applicable requirement; or
- (b) subject to 7.5(3), heavy vehicle specialist inspection and certification by a person appointed under 2.2(1)(i), if the vehicle is a heavy vehicle that, since it was manufactured, has been modified so as to affect its compliance with an applicable requirement, including modifications to its chassis, brakes, log bolster attachments, towing connections or load anchorages; or

- (2) Replace clause 7.5(3) with:

7.5(3) Low volume vehicle specialist inspection and certification, or heavy vehicle specialist inspection and certification, is not required in respect of a particular modification if—



- (a) that modification has previously been inspected and certified for compliance in accordance with 6.5; or
- (b) that modification has previously been inspected and certified for compliance in accordance with 7.5; or
- (c) the modified vehicle has been inspected by a vehicle inspector or inspecting organisation appointed under 2.2(1)(a) or (b) in accordance with requirements and conditions imposed by the Director under 2.3, and the inspector or organisation is satisfied, on reasonable grounds, that the modification is not one where certification is specifically required and the risk of injury to any person has been minimised; or
- (d) that modification was made to the vehicle for the purposes of law enforcement.

## 7.5 **Clause 9.8 (Alternative expiry dates for certificates of fitness)**

Replace clause 9.8(2) with:

- 9.8(2) The number of months, in respect of a vehicle specified in 9.8(1), must be based on an assessment of the vehicle's risk to safety.
- 9.8(3) In assessing the vehicle's risk to safety, regard may be had to any information relevant to the vehicle's risk to safety, including the following information about vehicles operated by the operator of that vehicle—
  - (a) information from previous inspections of those vehicles; and
  - (b) the results of audits conducted by the Agency, and roadside inspections conducted by the Police or the Agency, in respect of those vehicles; and
  - (c) the age of the vehicle.

## Section 8      Steering Systems 2001

### 8.1      Amendments to the Land Transport Rule: Steering Systems 2001

This Section amends the Land Transport Rule: Steering Systems 2001.

### 8.2      Clause 2.3 amended (Approved vehicle standards)

Replace clause 2.3(9) with:

2.3(9)      A motor vehicle does not have to comply with an approved vehicle standard in 2.3(2)(a)(i) or 2.3(2)(b)(i) if the vehicle complies with the applicable approved vehicle standards in *Land Transport Rule: Frontal Impact 2001*, whether or not that vehicle is required by that rule to so comply.

### 8.3      Clause 2.4 replaced (Additional requirements for indirect steering systems)

- 2.4(1)      This clause applies to a motor vehicle capable of a speed of more than 50 km/h and equipped with a steering system with no direct mechanical connection between the driver's means of control and the wheels.
- 2.4(2)      The motor vehicle must have at least one additional means of steering that complies with 2.2.
- 2.4(3)      Despite 2.4(2), the motor vehicle does not need to have an additional means of steering that complies with 2.2 if the steering system complies with the approved vehicle standards specified in either or both of 2.3(2)(a)(ii) or 2.3(2)(b)(ii).

## Section 9 Traffic Control Devices 2004

### 9.1 Amendments to the Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004

This Section amends the Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004.

### 9.2 Clause 5.4 amended (General requirements for markings)

After clause 5.4(8), insert:

5.4(9) A green surface texture or green colour may be used on a road or roadway (or part of a road or roadway) only—

- (a) if the road or roadway or part is a cycle lane or cycle path; or
- (b) if the road, roadway or part is associated with public transport infrastructure; or
- (c) to discourage use of a special vehicle lane by other vehicles or to draw attention to the likely presence of vehicles entitled to the use of the lane.

5.4(10) A red surface texture or red colour may be used on a road or roadway only—

- (a) if the road controlling authority considers that there is a high risk of crash; or
- (b) to highlight M8-1 or M8-2 markings in *Schedule 2*.

### 9.3 Clause 5.6 amended (Requirements for roadway art)

In Example 2 of clause 5.6(2), replace “M1-1” with “M1-1.3”.

### 9.4 Clause 6.4 amended (Steady vehicle displays in the form of a continuous display)

(1) Replace clause 6.4(2A) with:

6.4(2A) A steady vehicle display of a red arrow applies to all traffic on the roadway intending to travel in the direction indicated by the arrow and is not overridden by a white or yellow B signal for buses, a white or yellow T signal for light-rail vehicles or a green or yellow cycle signal controlling cyclists on a roadway.

- (2) After clause 6.4(12), insert:

6.4(12A) If a cycle path that is separated from the roadway traverses an area controlled by traffic signals, the road controlling authority:

- (a) must include a green cycle signal, a yellow cycle signal and a red cycle signal, which must be in a separate display; and
- (b) may include a green cycle arrow, a yellow cycle arrow and a red cycle arrow (which may be in a separate display) to control the specific directional movement of cyclists entering the controlled area so that the cyclists' movement through that area does not conflict with other vehicle traffic in the controlled area.

6.4(12B) The cycle signals included in the traffic signals in 6.4(12) and 6.4(12A) must comply with S2-3 of *Schedule 3*.

6.4(12C) The cycle arrows included in the traffic signals in 6.4(12A) must comply with S2-3B of *Schedule 3*.

## 9.5 Clause 8.2 amended (Pedestrian crossings)

- (1) Replace clause 8.2(4) with:

8.2(4) Any pedestrian crossing installed on or after 1 August 2025 and any existing pedestrian crossing that is remarked on or after that date following a resurfacing of the roadway must be marked in accordance with M1-1.3 in *Schedule 2*.

8.2(4A) Any other pedestrian crossing must be marked in accordance with M1-1.2 in *Schedule 2* when this Rule comes into effect.

- (2) Replace clause 8.2(11)(b) and (c) with:

- (b) must, if practicable, mark a limit line that consists of a white line that is not less than 300 mm wide and not less than 5 m from the pedestrian crossing; and
- (c) may mark a pedestrian crossing warning marking in the form of a white diamond on the road surface in accordance with M1-2 in *Schedule 2*.

**9.6 Clause 8.4 amended (School crossing points)**

After clause 8.4(6), insert:

8.4(6A) Markings in 8.4(6) may be substituted by tactile warning indicators in accordance with M1-3 in *Schedule 2*.

**9.7 Clause 10.3 amended (Intersections controlled by give-way signs)**

In clause 10.3(1)(b), replace “a triangular” with “a white triangular”.

**9.8 Clause 10.4 amended (Intersections controlled by roundabouts)**

In clause 10.4(1)(a)(ii), replace “a triangular” with “a white triangular”.

**9.9 Part 2 amended (Definitions)**

In Part 2, in the definition of **Public holiday**, insert new paragraph (pa):

(pa) the day on which a public holiday is observed to acknowledge Matariki (Te Rā Aro ki a Matariki/Matariki Observance Day) (see [Schedule 1](#) of Te Ture mō te Hararei Tūmatanui o te Kāhui o Matariki 2022/the Te Kāhui o Matariki Public Holiday Act 2022);

**9.10 Schedule 1 amended (Signs)**

- (1) In Schedule 1, insert the items set out in Schedule 1 of this Rule in their appropriate alphanumerical order.
- (2) In Schedule 1, item relating to **R2-3 (Give way roundabout)**:
  - (a) move the item to its correct alphanumerical order; and
  - (b) remove “rectangle: ‘GIVE WAY’ (optional) red (R) 100/12.5”.
- (3) In Schedule 1, item relating to **R4-14 (Special vehicle lane – two or more classes of vehicle)**, insert a new row after the row relating to “‘E V’ (abbreviation for electric vehicle)”:

“G V” (abbreviation for goods vehicle) Red 120/20.5

- (4) In Schedule 1, item relating to **W12-3.2 (Curve sign supplementary – advisory speed)**:
- replace “**Curve sign supplementary – advisory speed**” with “**Curve, hump or platform sign supplementary – advisory speed**”, with the words “**hump or platform**”; and
  - after “W12-2 series signs” insert “and may supplement W14-4”.
- (5) In Schedule 1, item relating to **W14.10 (Steep grade up – ‘percent’ symbol)**, in the heading, replace “**W14.10**” with “**W14-10**”.
- (6) In Schedule 1, revoke item relating to **A40-5 (Feeling sleepy? take a break)**.
- (7) In Schedule 1, item relating to **A42-6 (Advance special vehicle lane)**, insert a new row after the row relating to “E V” (abbreviation for electric vehicle):

“G V” (abbreviation for goods vehicle)	Red	120/20.5
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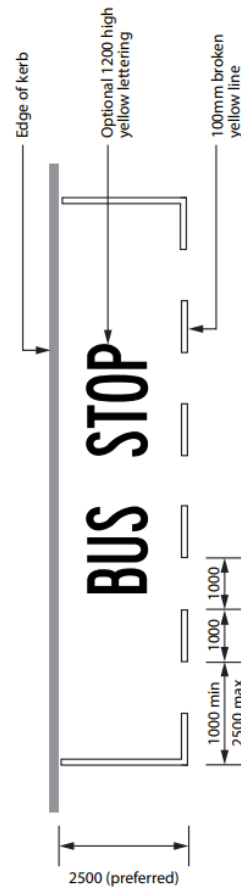
#### **9.11 Schedule 2 amended (Markings)**

- (1) In Schedule 2, after the bullet point, insert:
- A traffic control device that conforms substantially with the form of a traffic control device prescribed in this Schedule is deemed to be an authorised traffic control device.
  - All markings must be white unless otherwise specified.
- (2) In Schedule 2, insert the items set out in Schedule 2 of this Rule in their appropriate alphanumerical order.
- (3) In Schedule 2, revoke item relating to **M1-1 (Pedestrian crossing)**.
- (4) In Schedule 2, item relating to **M1-3 (School crossing point)**:
- number the existing note as “Note 1”; and
  - after that note, insert:

Note 2: Hold lines may be omitted if tactile warning indicators are installed at the school crossing point in accordance with *RTS 14 – Guidelines for facilities for blind and vision impaired pedestrians*. Children should be instructed to wait behind the tactile warning indicators.

- (5) In Schedule 2, revoke item **M2-3A (Cycle lane)**.
- (6) In Schedule 2, item relating to **M3-2 (Bus stop)**, replace the image with the following image:

**M3-2 Bus stop**



- (7) In Schedule 2, item relating to **M3-2A (Bus stop alternative)**, replace the image with the following image:





**Schedule 1**  
**Amendments to Schedule 1 of Land Transport Rule: Traffic**  
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Ref: clause 9.10(1)

**R1-2.2                      Intersection speed zone variable speed limit –  
   supplementary warning sign**

*Highest speed limit is the number of km/h shown on the sign that applies to the main road through the intersection depicted on the supplementary warning sign.*

*The requirements detailed in Traffic Note 62 must be complied with.*

**Shape and size**              Option B of R1-2.1 sign (background, border, legend as for  
   Option B of R-2.1 sign), above an ‘Intersection warning’  
   supplementary sign

Above

**‘Intersection warning’ supplementary sign**

Shape and size	rectangle 750 x 750 mm		
Background	yellow (R)		
Border	black 25 mm		
Legend	Description	Colour	Size
	W11-2 or W11-12.1 or W11-3 or W11-4 or W11-5 as appropriate, aligned, up, right or left arrow, with side roads indicated by a line forming ‘T’ or cross on the appropriate alignment	black	shaft 100mm  line 60mm wide

**R3-2.1            No right turn, part time (flashing) LED**

*Sign is illuminated and the roundel flashes when right turn restriction applies.*

<b>Shape and size</b>	Rectangle 800 x 800mm		
<b>Background</b>	Black (unlit)		
<b>Border</b>	None		
<b>Legend</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Colour</b>	<b>Size</b>
	R3-2		
	Right-turning arrow	yellow (lit)	shaft 60mm
	Diagonal bar	red (lit)	bar 50mm
	Roundel comprises three or more concentric rings of illuminated elements, the outer ring and diagonal bar must be continuously lit, but the inner rings must flash at approximately 1 Hertz	red (lit)	outer ring 600 mm diameter (effective), inner rings sized to achieve a 90mm roundel width

When the right turn restriction does not apply, the sign must be unlit and black.

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**W16-11                      Pedestrians – kuia and tamaiti with marae  
supplementary sign**

*Diamond-shaped permanent warning sign that must be used above the supplementary message sign, warning road users that there are likely to be elderly and young pedestrians ahead associated with marae activity.*

**Warning sign**

<b>Shape and size</b>	Diamond 600mm square		
<b>Background</b>	Yellow (R) or yellow-green (RF)		
<b>Border</b>	Black 15mm		
<b>Legend</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Colour</b>	<b>Size</b>
	‘Symbol depicting a kuia (elderly lady) holding the hand of a tamaiti (child)’	Black	480 x 460 mm

**Supplementary sign**

<b>Shape and size</b>	Rectangle 600 x 250mm		
<b>Background</b>	Yellow (R) or yellow-green (RF)		
<b>Border</b>	Black 15mm		
<b>Legend</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Colour</b>	<b>Size</b>
	‘MARAÉ’	Black	100/16

*Note:* The W16-11 combination warning sign is for use by RCAs at marae, to warn of vulnerable road users or near the roadway and may supplement the R1-2.1 “Option B” variable speed limit sign.

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**A43-8.1 Advanced contra-flow cycle lane**

*Advisory sign that informs road users that cyclists are permitted to travel in either direction on the cycle facility that crosses at the intersection ahead of them.*

<b>Shape and size</b>	Rectangle 400 x 600mm		
<b>Background</b>	White (R)		
<b>Border</b>	Black 15mm		
<b>Legend</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Colour</b>	<b>Size</b>
	‘[Symbol of cycle]’, above	Black	300 x 195mm
	‘arrow (type B) pointing right’ above	Black	Shaft: width 35 mm, length 20 mm
	‘arrow (type B) pointing left’		

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**A44-1 Pass safely pedestrians**

*Advises drivers to leave a safe gap when passing pedestrians.*

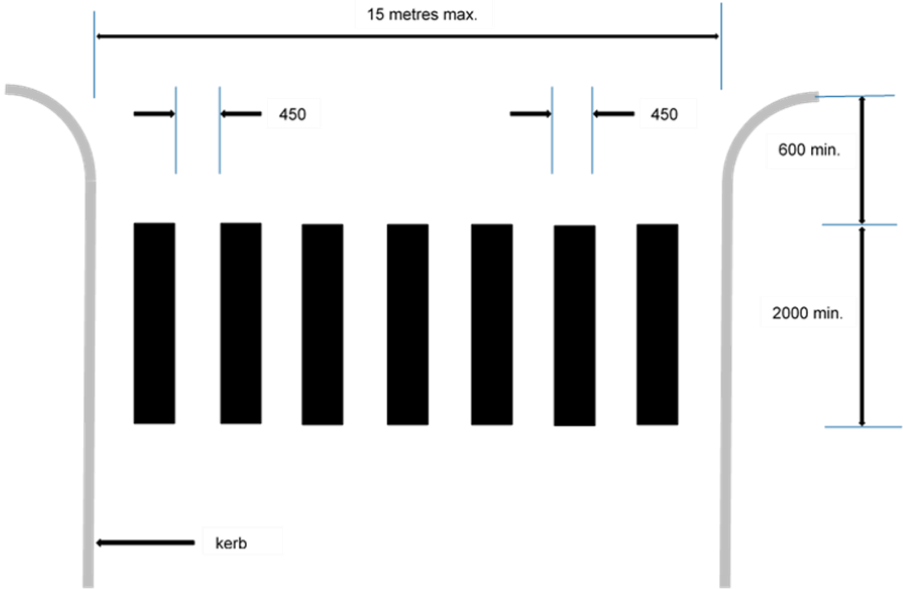
<b>Shape and size</b>	Rectangle 900 x 750mm		
<b>Background</b>	White (R)		
<b>Border</b>	Black 25mm		
<b>Legend</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Colour</b>	<b>Size</b>
	‘[symbol of pedestrian and a car]’, separated by a double ended arrow (type B) above	Black	300 x 195mm
		Black	Shaft 20mm
	‘PASS SAFELY’	Black	120/16.8

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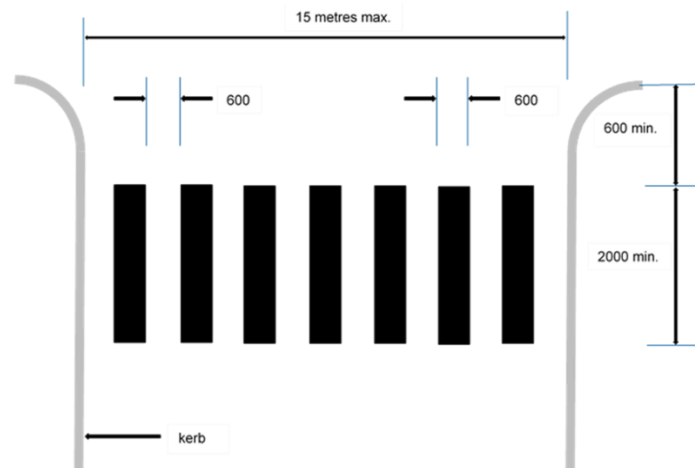
**Schedule 2**  
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**Control Devices 2004**

Ref: clause 9.11(2)

**M1-1.2                      Pedestrian Crossing Marking (Interim Format)**



Colour: white (reflectorised)

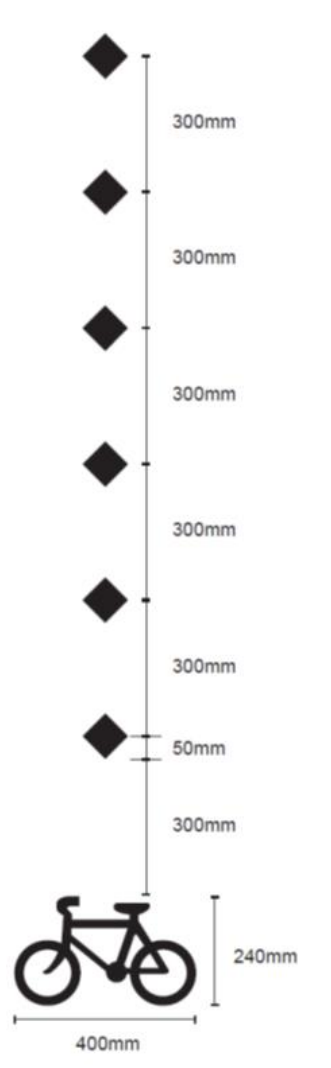
**M1-1.3****Pedestrian Crossing Marking (New Format)**

Colour: white (reflectorised)

*Note:* Marking M1-1.3 harmonises New Zealand with Australian practice for marking pedestrian crossings using alternate 600mm dimensions. This must be installed at all new crossing installations or after maintenance work that requires new road markings.

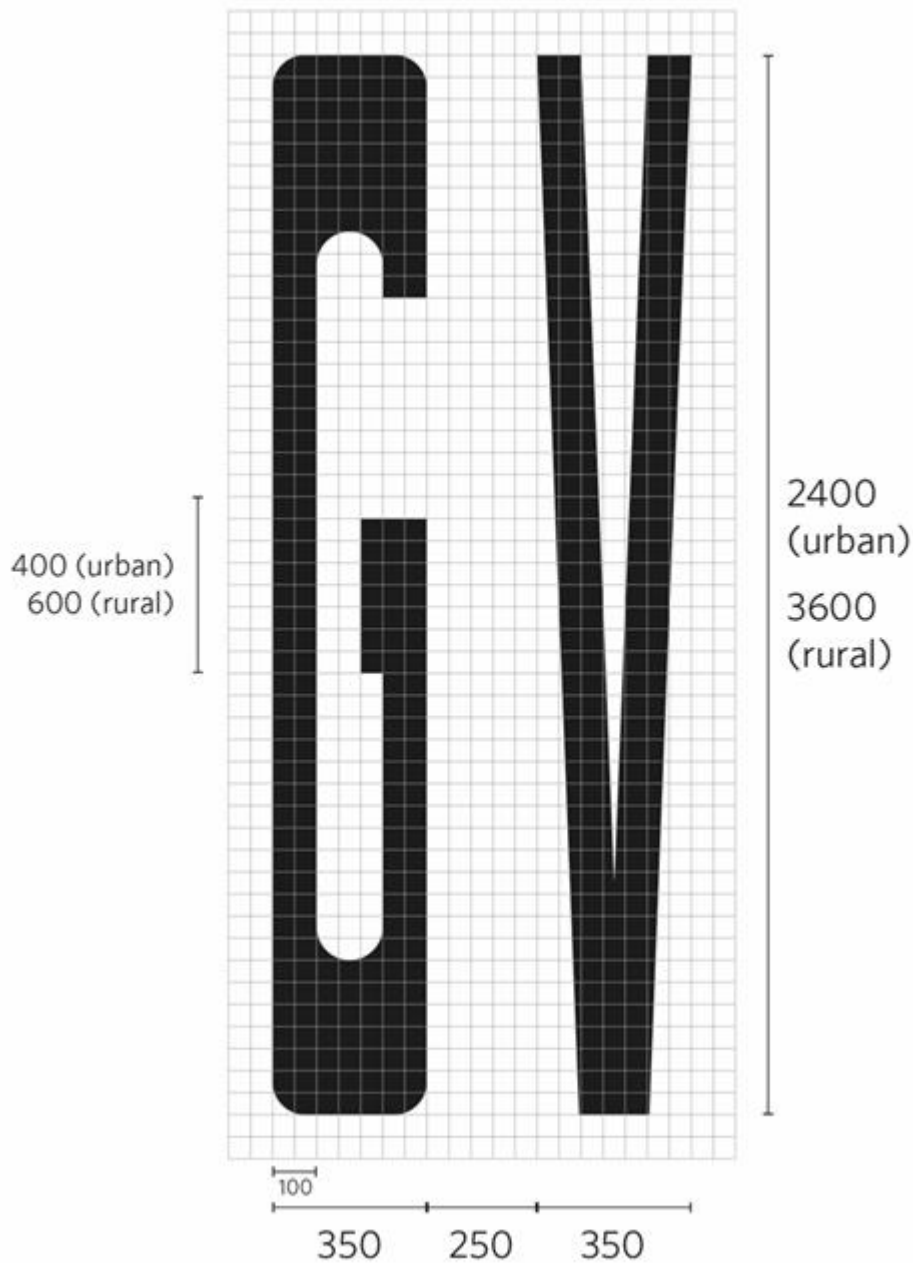
**M2-3F      Cycle loop detection marking**

*Indicates to cyclists the most sensitive area of the detection loop to trigger the cycle signals.*

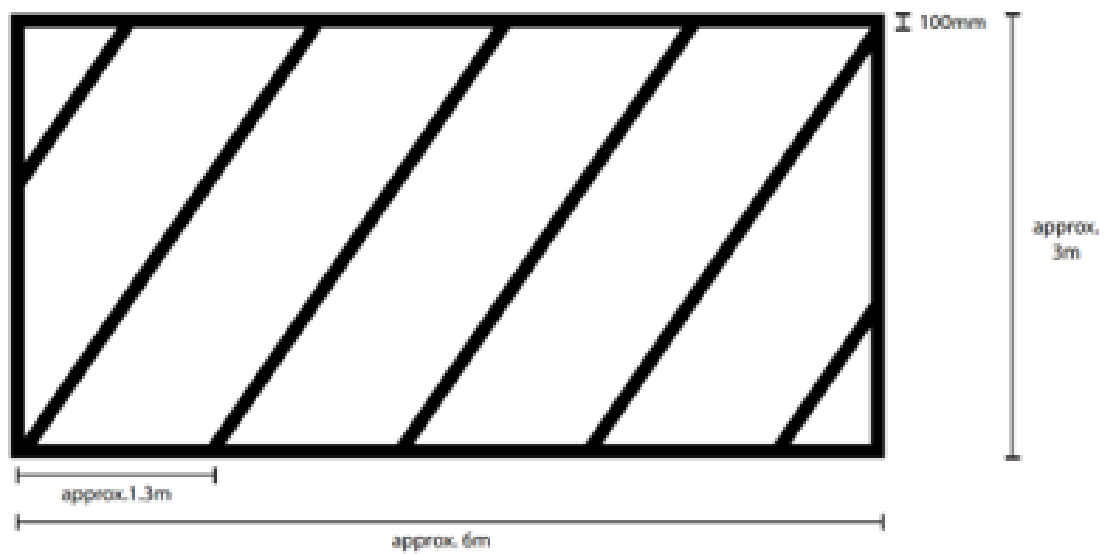


Colour: white (reflectorised)

*Note:* The M2-3F Cycle loop detection marking may be marked in any location which requires the cyclist to be detected by the loops to initiate cycle traffic signals phase.

**M2-7 Goods vehicle lane****Letter height:** 2400mm (urban), 3600mm (rural)**Colour:** white reflectorised



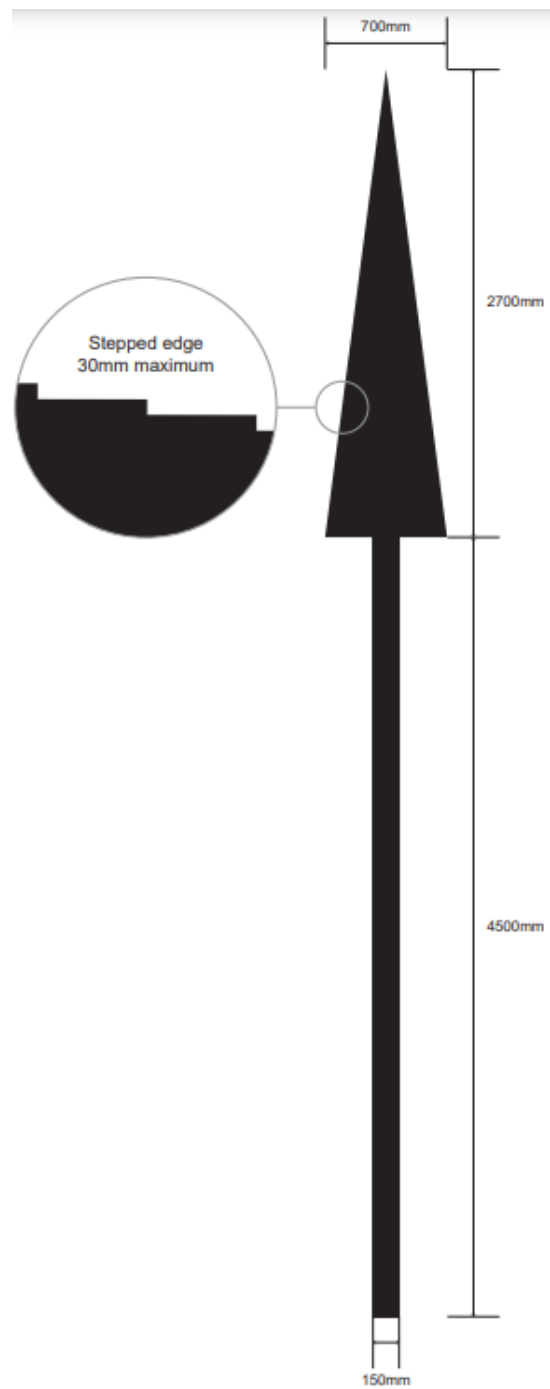
**M4-3 No parking yellow diagonal hatching**

Colour: yellow

*Note:* The No parking yellow diagonal hatching may be marked in or between parking spaces, particularly angled parking spaces to provide active user access. The marking should not be used in place of 'No stopping lines' in lineal parking situations.

**M7-2 Tourist arrow**

*Reminds tourists to drive on the left side of the road when driving in New Zealand.*



**Colour:** white (reflectorised)

Notes:

1. The tourist arrow may be marked on a road surface to remind drivers to drive on the left.
  2. The tourist arrow when marked on roads with speed limits of 80km/h and above may have the tapered edges of the arrowhead stepped in from the diagonal by a maximum of 30 mm to enable the arrow to be applied to the road using a mobile marking operation which does not require staff to be on the road.
  3. Tourist arrows using the stepped arrowheads must not be marked in 'Urban' speed environments (roads with speed limits less than 70km/h).
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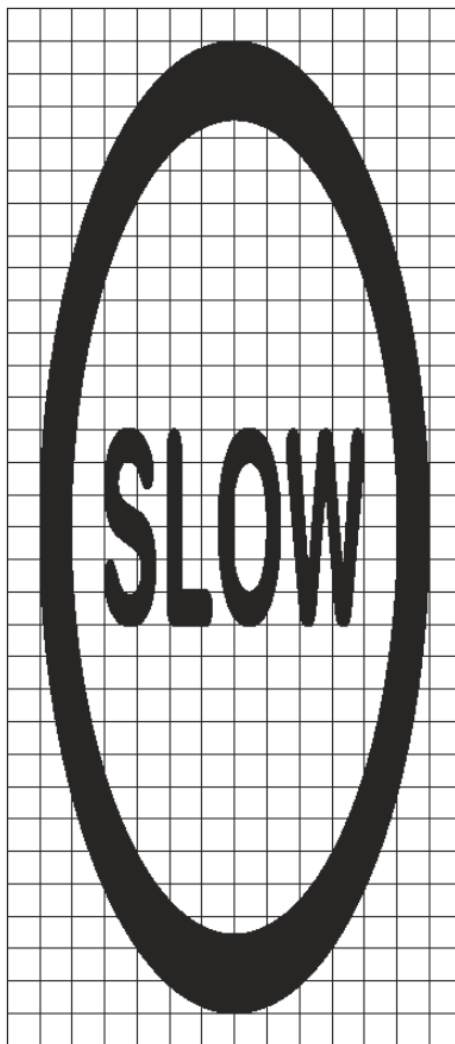
**M10 Shared path behavioural markings**

The following notes apply to all M10 markings (M10-1 to M10-7):

1. The M10 markings may be marked on shared paths and cycle paths.
2. The M10 markings must not be marked on the roadway other than in a shared zone established by way of a bylaw.

**M10-1 Slow roundel**

*Users should travel at a slower speed on the section of path beyond the marking.*

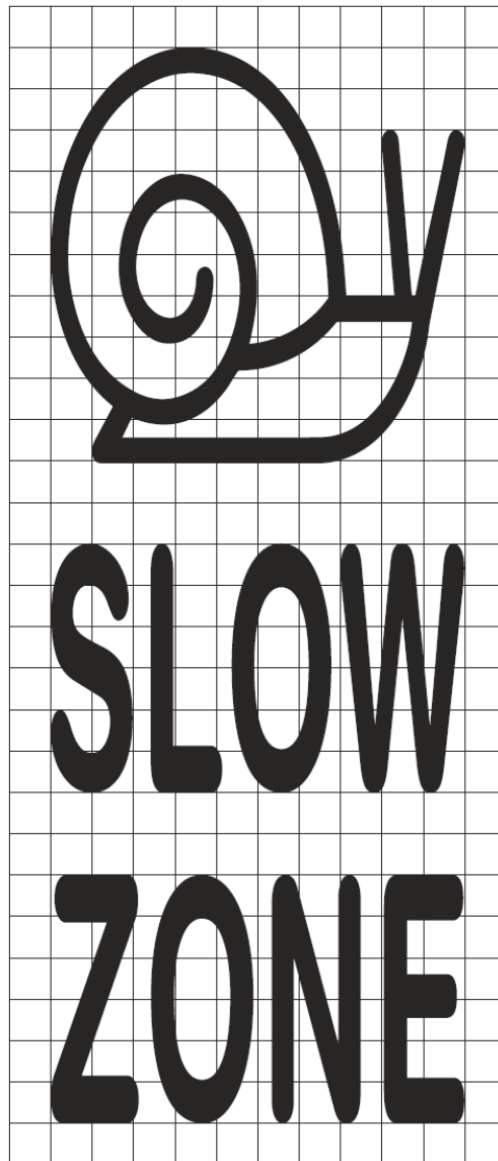


Grid size: 100mm minimum

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**M10-2          Slow Zone**

*The area between the two “Slow Zone” markings has been designated a “Slow Zone”. Users should travel at a slow speed when traversing the “Slow Zone”.*

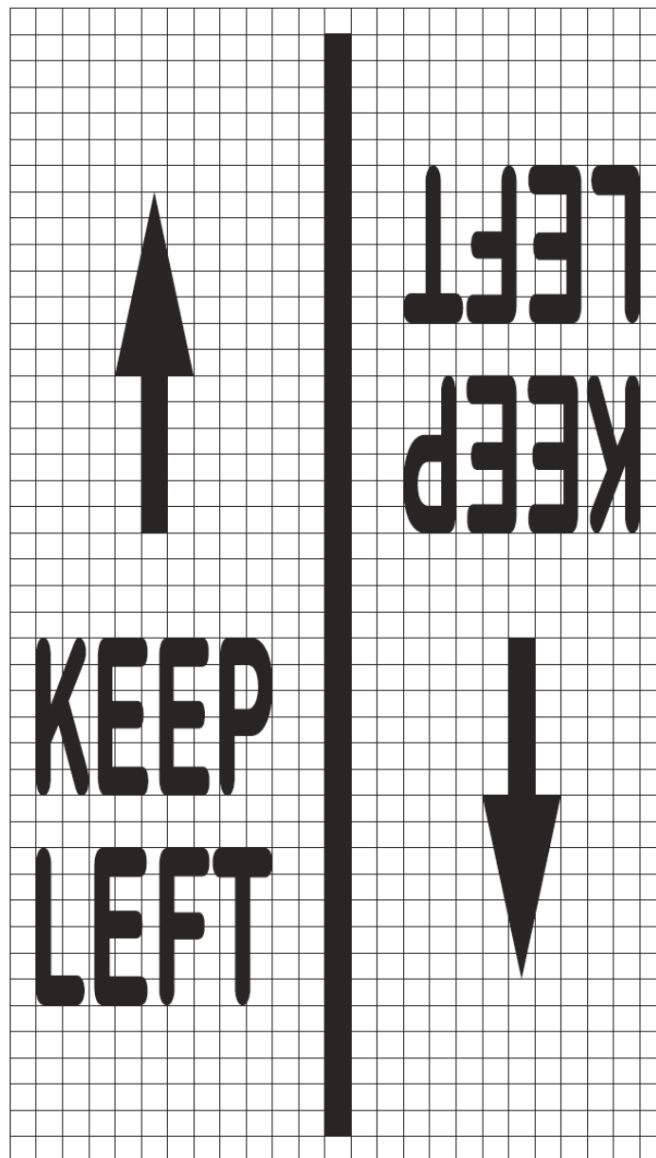


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**M10-3      Keep left**

*Advises users to keep left.*

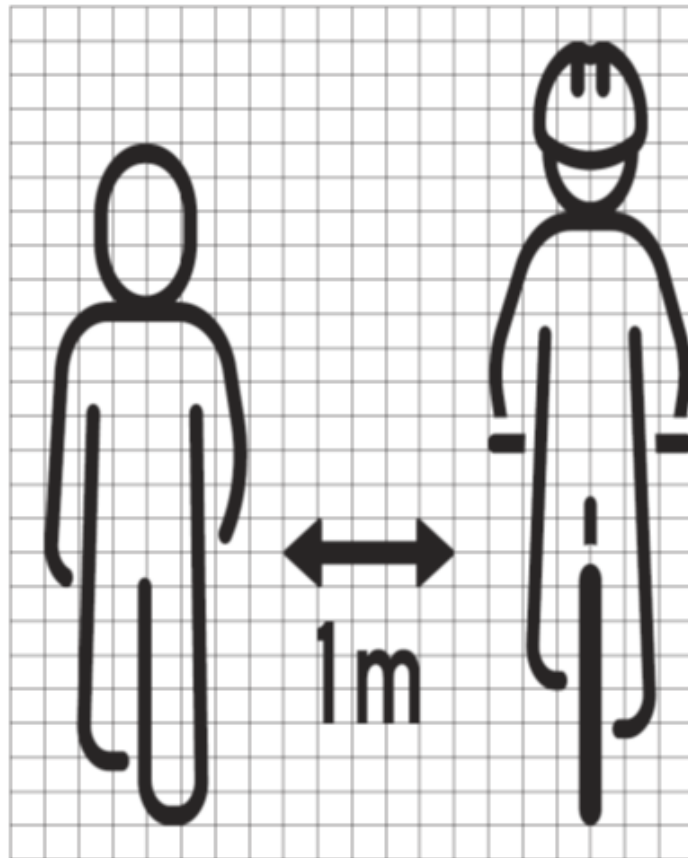


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**M10-4 Give space**

*Riders should give pedestrians space when passing.*



Grid size: 100mm minimum

Colour: white (reflectorised)

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**M10-5      Keep dogs close**

*Advises dog walkers to keep dogs close.*



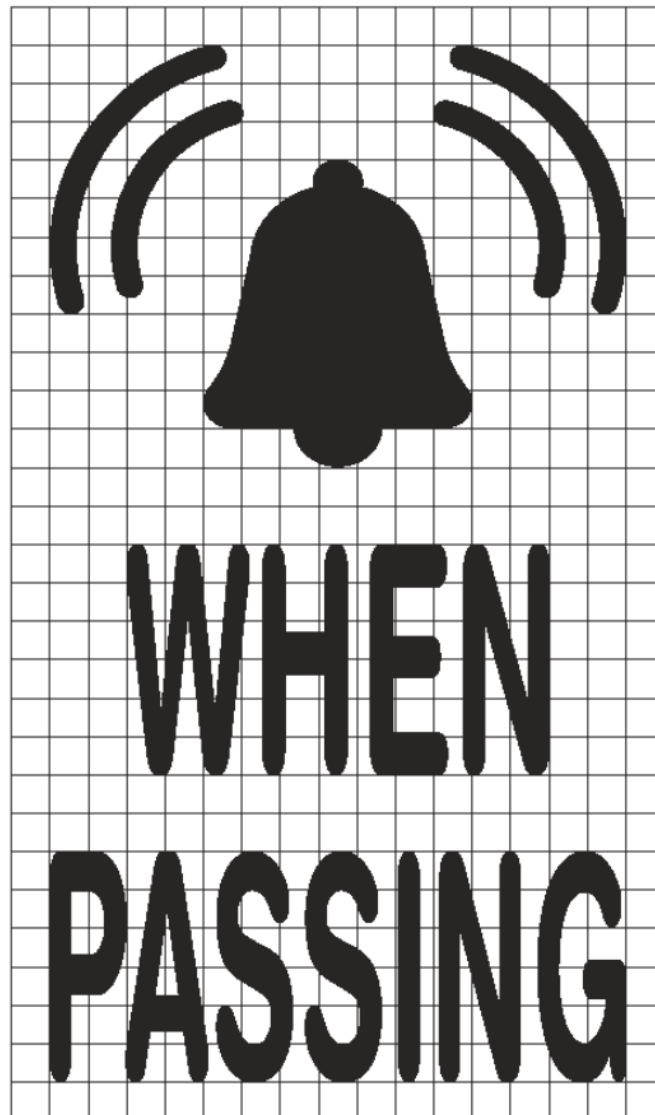
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**M10-6 Alert when passing**

*Users should alert others when passing.*

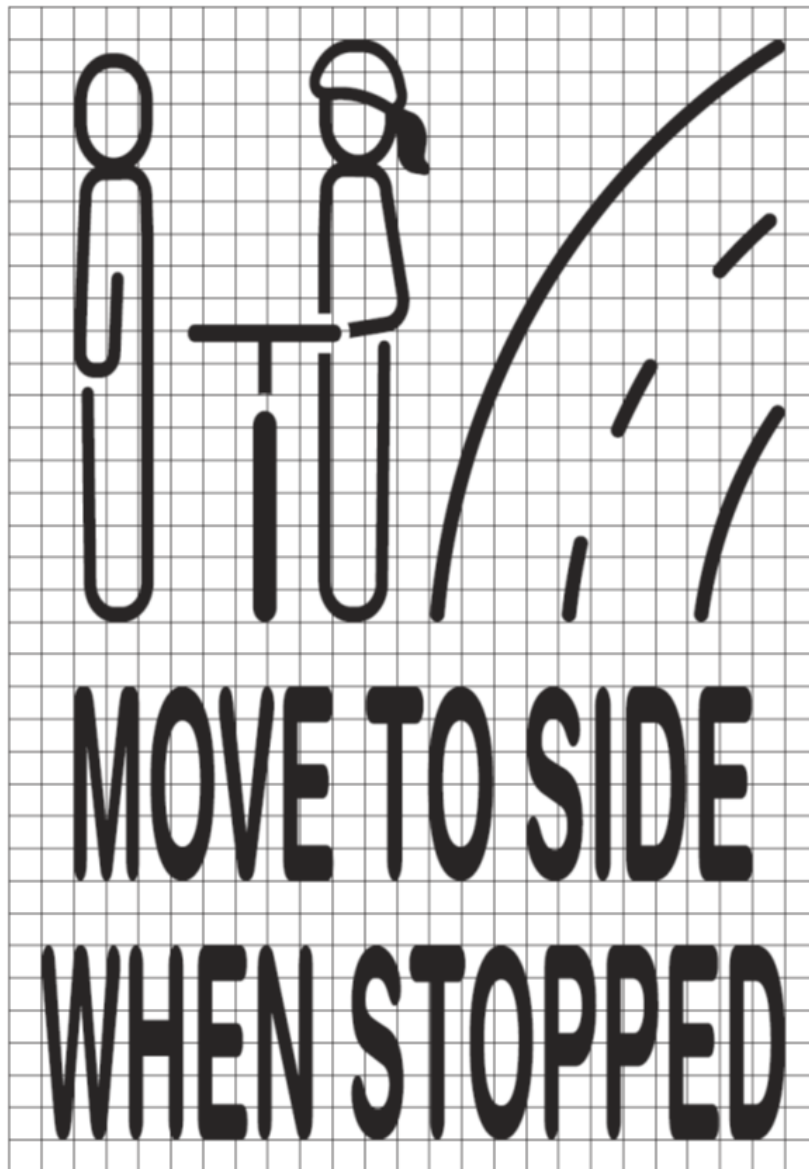


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**M10-7      Move to side when stopped**

*Users should move to the side of the path when stopped.*



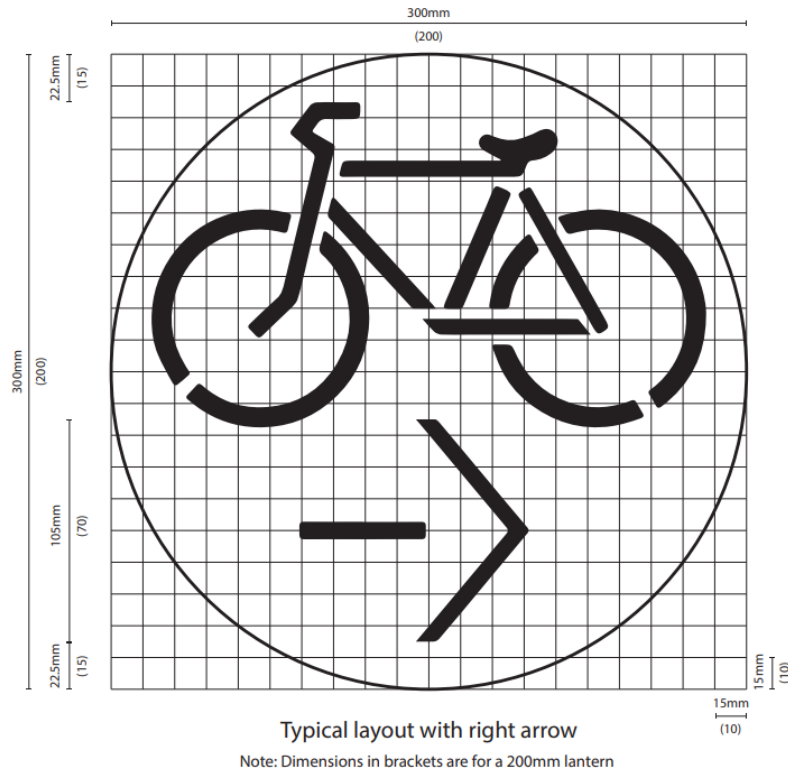
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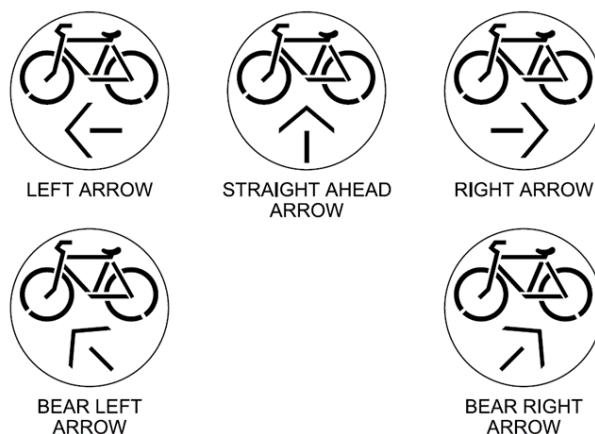
Ref: clause 9.12

**S2-3B**                      **Cycle arrow signal**



*Note:* The 300mm is the default aspect. However, the 200mm aspect may be used in the primary position or in the secondary position at smaller intersections, if it remains visible in inclement weather from the opposite side of the road.

### Permitted configurations for directional cycle signal lantern aspects



*Note:* The bear right arrow and the right arrow and the bear left arrow and left arrow cater by default for both a diagonal crossing and a hard right turn or hard left turn (as the case may be), unless a sign or use of another arrow signal overrides this.

The decision between displaying a bear right arrow or a right arrow (or a bear left arrow or a left arrow) should depend on the cycle movement being catered for and the direction of the predominant cycle facility.

## S4-11 Special vehicle displays (for cycle paths separated from the roadway)

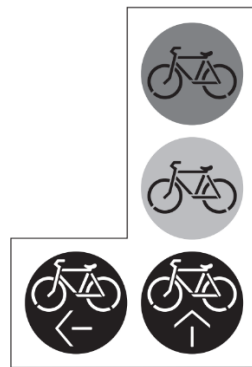
*Note:* The following are the permitted aspects for S4-11 special vehicle displays.



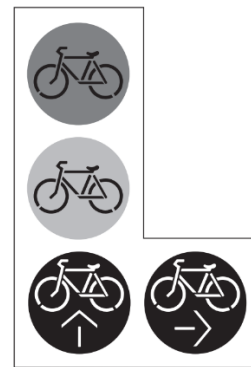
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S4-11.3b



S4-11.4a



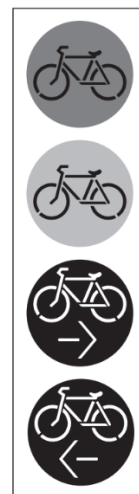
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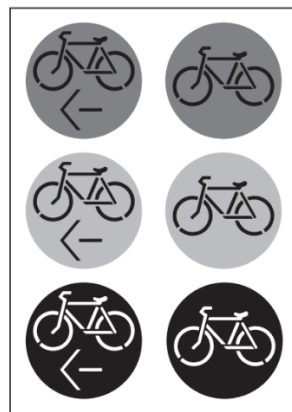
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