

TTC Signs Quick Reference

A printable quick reference of California temporary traffic control signs — road work, lane and shoulder closures, flaggers, workers, and detours. 64 signs are included.

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California Context

- This reference is based on the California MUTCD 2026 (effective January 18, 2026). California uses the CA MUTCD — its own adoption of the federal MUTCD with state modifications — not the federal manual alone.
- For work on state highways in the Los Angeles / Ventura region, Caltrans District 7 reviews encroachment permits and the associated traffic control plans.
- Local agencies add requirements on top of the CA MUTCD: work in City of Los Angeles right-of-way needs a city street-use / sidewalk-closure permit (reviewed by StreetsLA and the Bureau of Engineering); work on county roads needs an LA County DPW permit.
- Sign sizes, retroreflectivity, spacing, and placement must meet CA MUTCD minimums — local agencies may require larger signs or additional devices based on roadway classification, speed, pedestrian volume, and proximity to schools or transit.

Los Angeles Area Notes

In Los Angeles, temporary traffic control signs must conform to CA MUTCD 2026. For work within City of LA right-of-way, StreetsLA (Bureau of Street Services) and the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) may review traffic control plans. For work on state highways in LA County, Caltrans District 7 reviews encroachment permits and associated TCPs. Sign sizes, retroreflectivity, and placement must meet CA MUTCD minimums — local agencies may require larger sizes or additional signs depending on roadway classification, speed limit, pedestrian volume, and proximity to schools or transit.

Sign Reference

W20-1

Road Work Ahead



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Warns approaching drivers that a work operation is taking place on or near the roadway ahead so they can slow down and stay alert for changing conditions.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Typically the first advance warning sign in a California temporary traffic control zone, placed ahead of the work area at the spacing called for in the CA MUTCD Part 6 and the applicable Standard Plan or project TCP.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W21-1, W20-7, G20-2, W3-4

Public Ready note: Need a ROAD WORK AHEAD (W20-1) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W20-2

Detour Ahead



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Warns drivers that a detour is ahead and that the normal route will be interrupted, prompting them to prepare to follow an alternate path.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in advance of a detour in a California TTC zone, ahead of the DETOUR route markers that guide traffic along the approved alternate route.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

M4-8, M4-9, W20-3, M4-9a

Public Ready note: Running a detour on a California project? Public Ready can supply DETOUR AHEAD (W20-2) and the full detour sign package.

W20-3

Road Closed Ahead



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Warns that the road ahead is closed and that through travel will not be possible, giving drivers time to turn or follow a detour before reaching the closure.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Placed in advance of a closure in a California TTC zone, working together with regulatory ROAD CLOSED (R11-2) signing and detour route markers at the closure point.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Closure limits on the plan do not match the approved permit exactly.
- Closure not backed by advance warning and a signed detour.
- Local-access provisions unclear (especially for ROAD CLOSED TO THRU TRAFFIC).

USE WITH

R11-2, R11-3a, W20-2, M4-9

Public Ready note: Closing a road on a California project? Public Ready can provide ROAD CLOSED AHEAD (W20-3) and the matching closure and detour signs.

W20-4

One Lane Road Ahead



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Warns that two-way traffic will be reduced to a single shared lane ahead, where opposing directions must take turns through the work area.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used where a California work zone narrows the roadway to one lane for alternating one-way control, typically managed by flaggers, a pilot car, or temporary signals.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W20-7, W3-4, W20-1, W4-2

Public Ready note: Setting up alternating one-way control? Public Ready can supply ONE LANE ROAD AHEAD (W20-4) and the supporting flagging signs.

W20-5

Lane Closed Ahead



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Warns that a travel lane is closed ahead and that drivers in that lane will need to merge into an adjacent open lane before the work area.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Base lane-closure warning used in California multilane TTC setups; the directional variants (W20-5a/W20-5b) call out which lane closes ahead of the taper.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Merge direction on the sign does not match the open lane in the field.
- Taper begins before the lane-closure warning is reached.
- Sign spacing not adjusted for the posted speed.

USE WITH

W20-5a, W20-5b, W4-2, W9-2

Public Ready note: Closing a lane on a California roadway? Public Ready can provide the LANE CLOSED AHEAD (W20-5) series and channelizing devices.

W20-5b

Left Lane Closed Ahead



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Warns specifically that the left-hand travel lane is closed ahead so traffic in that lane can merge right in advance of the closure.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used on California multilane roadways to direct a left-lane merge ahead of the taper, sequenced with advance warning and channelizing devices.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Merge direction on the sign does not match the open lane in the field.
- Taper begins before the lane-closure warning is reached.
- Sign spacing not adjusted for the posted speed.

USE WITH

W20-5, W20-5a, W4-2, W20-1

Public Ready note: Need LEFT LANE CLOSED AHEAD (W20-5b)? Public Ready can supply the sign and matching lane-closure devices.

W20-5a

Right Lane Closed Ahead



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Warns specifically that the right-hand travel lane is closed ahead so traffic in that lane can merge left in advance of the closure.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used on California multilane roadways to direct a right-lane merge ahead of the taper, sequenced with advance warning and channelizing devices.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Merge direction on the sign does not match the open lane in the field.
- Taper begins before the lane-closure warning is reached.
- Sign spacing not adjusted for the posted speed.

USE WITH

W20-5, W20-5b, W4-2, W20-1

Public Ready note: Need RIGHT LANE CLOSED AHEAD (W20-5a)? Public Ready can supply the sign and matching lane-closure devices.

W20-7

Flagger



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Uses a flagger symbol to warn drivers that a flagger is controlling traffic ahead and that they must be prepared to stop or follow the flagger's directions.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Placed ahead of a flagging station in a California TTC zone, commonly used with BE PREPARED TO STOP for alternating one-way or intermittent control.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Approach to the activity area. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Flagger sign shown without BE PREPARED TO STOP (W3-4) where flagging warrants it.
- Flagger station location or sight distance inadequate for the posted speed.
- Sign omitted where flaggers control alternating one-lane traffic.

USE WITH

W3-4, W20-4, W20-1, W21-1

Public Ready note: Using flaggers on a California project? Public Ready can supply the FLAGGER (W20-7) symbol sign and supporting signs.

W21-1

Workers



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Uses a worker symbol to warn that workers are present on or near the roadway ahead, signaling drivers to reduce speed and increase caution.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California work zones where workers are on foot near live traffic, often supplementing ROAD WORK AHEAD where worker exposure is a concern.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Approach to the activity area. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W20-1, W20-7, W21-5, G20-2

Public Ready note: Protecting workers on foot? Public Ready can supply the WORKERS (W21-1) sign and related work-zone signs.

W21-5a

Shoulder Closed



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Warns that the shoulder is closed ahead and is not available for stopping, disabled vehicles, or travel through the work area.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California TTC zones where the shoulder is occupied by work or devices and must be taken out of service for the length of the operation.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Approach to the activity area. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W21-5, W20-1, W21-1, R9-9

Public Ready note: Closing a shoulder? Public Ready can supply SHOULDER CLOSED (W21-5a) and channelizing devices.

W21-5

Shoulder Work



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Warns that work is taking place on the shoulder ahead, alerting drivers to workers and equipment near the edge of the traveled way.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used on California highways and streets for shoulder operations that do not close a travel lane but place workers and equipment on the shoulder.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Approach to the activity area. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W21-5a, W21-1, W20-1, W21-7

Public Ready note: Working on the shoulder? Public Ready can supply SHOULDER WORK (W21-5) and edge-of-roadway devices.

W21-7

Utility Work Ahead



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Warns that utility work is taking place on or near the roadway ahead, alerting drivers to utility crews, equipment, and possible lane or shoulder impacts.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used by utilities and their contractors in California right-of-way for water, power, gas, and communications work that affects the roadway.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W20-1, W21-1, W21-5, W20-7

Public Ready note: Doing utility work in the right-of-way? Public Ready can supply UTILITY WORK AHEAD (W21-7) and the full sign package.

W3-4

Be Prepared To Stop



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Warns drivers that they may have to stop ahead, giving advance notice of a flagging station, queue, or signal that can require stopping.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

In California work zones the orange (temporary) version follows the Flagger sign or precedes a temporary signal, alerting drivers before they reach a stopping point.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W20-7, W20-4, W20-1, W9-2

Public Ready note: Need BE PREPARED TO STOP (W3-4) for a flagging or signal setup? Public Ready can supply it with the supporting signs.

W9-2

Lane Ends



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

A word-message warning that a travel lane is ending ahead, telling drivers the number of through lanes will be reduced.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California work zones as a word-message companion to the lane-ends symbol where additional emphasis on the lane reduction is warranted.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Merge direction on the sign does not match the open lane in the field.
- Taper begins before the lane-closure warning is reached.
- Sign spacing not adjusted for the posted speed.

USE WITH

W4-2, W20-5, W20-5a, W20-1

Public Ready note: Need a LANE ENDS (W9-2) word sign? Public Ready can supply it with your lane-closure package.

W4-2

Lane Ends Merge Left



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Uses a symbol to warn that a travel lane is ending and that traffic must merge in the indicated direction where the roadway narrows.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California lane-closure tapers to reinforce the merge as a lane drops, supplementing the word-message lane-closure warnings.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Merge direction on the sign does not match the open lane in the field.
- Taper begins before the lane-closure warning is reached.
- Sign spacing not adjusted for the posted speed.

USE WITH

W9-2, W20-5, W20-5a, W20-5b

Public Ready note: Need a LANE ENDS / merge symbol sign (W4-2)? Public Ready can supply it for your lane-closure setup.

G20-1

Road Work Next XX Miles



Guide Signs · Rectangle (Horizontal)

Size: 48" x 24"

MEANING

Informs drivers of the total length of a work zone, telling them how many miles of road work to expect ahead.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used at the start of longer California work zones, especially on highways and corridors, to set driver expectations for an extended work area.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Beginning of the work zone (advance/upstream). (CA MUTCD Part 6, Chapter 6F (Temporary Traffic Control))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Stated work-zone length does not match the actual work limits.
- END ROAD WORK missing or placed before the termination area.
- Wrong size specified for the facility.

USE WITH

G20-2, W20-1, W21-1, W20-7

Public Ready note: Running an extended work zone? Public Ready can supply ROAD WORK NEXT XX MILES (G20-1) with the correct distance legend.

G20-2

End Road Work



Guide Signs - Rectangle (Horizontal)

Size: 48" x 24"

MEANING

Marks the downstream end of a work zone, informing drivers that they have passed the work area and that normal conditions resume.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Placed at the end of a California TTC zone past the last work activity and termination area, closing out the sign sequence.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Termination (downstream) area. (CA MUTCD Part 6, Chapter 6F (Temporary Traffic Control))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Stated work-zone length does not match the actual work limits.
- END ROAD WORK missing or placed before the termination area.
- Wrong size specified for the facility.

USE WITH

G20-1, W20-1, W21-1, W20-7

Public Ready note: Need END ROAD WORK (G20-2) to close out a work zone? Public Ready can supply it with the full sign sequence.

M4-9

Detour Arrow



Detour Signs - Rectangle (Horizontal)

Size: 24" x 12" (route marker / plaque)

MEANING

Combines the word DETOUR with a directional arrow to point drivers toward the correct turn along the detour route.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Placed at detour decision points in California to direct each turn, keeping detoured traffic on the approved alternate route.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Along the detour route at each decision point. (CA MUTCD Part 6, Chapter 6F, and Part 2D (Guide Signs))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Detour not signed continuously at every decision point.
- Arrow direction incorrect at a turn.
- Detour does not return traffic to the original route.

USE WITH

M4-8, M4-9a, M4-9b, W20-2

Public Ready note: Guiding traffic through a detour? Public Ready can supply DETOUR arrow markers (M4-9) for each turn.

M4-8

Detour



Detour Signs - Rectangle (Horizontal)

Size: 24" x 12" (route marker / plaque)

MEANING

Identifies an approved detour route, marking the path drivers should follow around a closure when used with directional arrows.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California to mark a detour around a closed road or lane, mounted above or with directional arrow markers to guide each turn.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Along the detour route at each decision point. (CA MUTCD Part 6, Chapter 6F, and Part 2D (Guide Signs))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Detour not signed continuously at every decision point.
- Arrow direction incorrect at a turn.
- Detour does not return traffic to the original route.

USE WITH

M4-9, M4-9a, W20-2, W20-3

Public Ready note: Marking a detour route? Public Ready can supply DETOUR (M4-8) and the directional arrow markers.

M4-9a

End Detour



Detour Signs - Rectangle (Horizontal)

Size: 24" x 12" (route marker / plaque)

MEANING

Marks the end of a detour route, telling drivers they have returned to the original road and the detour is complete.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Placed where a California detour rejoins the normal route, closing out the detour signing sequence.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Termination (downstream) area. (CA MUTCD Part 6, Chapter 6F, and Part 2D (Guide Signs))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Detour not signed continuously at every decision point.
- Arrow direction incorrect at a turn.
- Detour does not return traffic to the original route.

USE WITH

M4-9, M4-8, M4-9b, W20-2

Public Ready note: Need END DETOUR (M4-9a) to close a detour? Public Ready can supply it with the detour package.

M4-9b

Pedestrian Detour



Detour Signs · Rectangle (Horizontal)
Size: 24" x 12" (route marker / plaque)

MEANING

Directs pedestrians along an alternate accessible route when a sidewalk or crosswalk on their normal path is closed.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California to route pedestrians around sidewalk or crosswalk closures, supporting an accessible pedestrian path through or around the work zone.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Along the detour route at each decision point. (CA MUTCD Part 6, Chapter 6F, and Part 2D (Guide Signs))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- No ADA-compliant alternate pedestrian route shown on the TCP.
- Sidewalk closure not signed in advance (cross-here / ahead signs missing).
- Accessible width and surface of the pedestrian detour not noted.

USE WITH

R9-11, R9-10, R9-9, M4-9

Public Ready note: Rerouting pedestrians? Public Ready can supply PEDESTRIAN DETOUR (M4-9b) and the sidewalk-closure signs.

R11-3a

Road Closed Ahead



Road Closure Signs · Rectangle (Horizontal)
Size: 48" x 30"

MEANING

A regulatory sign advising that the road is closed ahead, often with a local-traffic or detour message, so drivers can prepare to turn or detour.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used on California approaches to a closure to advise drivers in advance, frequently paired with local-access or detour wording.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

At the closure point (activity area), typically on a barricade. (CA MUTCD Part 2B (Regulatory Signs) and Part 6F)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Closure limits on the plan do not match the approved permit exactly.
- Closure not backed by advance warning and a signed detour.
- Local-access provisions unclear (especially for ROAD CLOSED TO THRU TRAFFIC).

USE WITH

R11-2, R11-4, W20-3, M4-9

Public Ready note: Need ROAD CLOSED AHEAD (R11-3a)? Public Ready can supply it with the closure and detour package.

R11-2

Road Closed



Road Closure Signs · Rectangle (Horizontal)
Size: 48" x 30"

MEANING

A regulatory sign stating that the road is closed to all traffic, posted at the closure point typically on a barricade across the roadway.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Mounted on a Type III barricade or closure across a California roadway, used with advance warning and detour signing to fully close the road.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

At the closure point (activity area), typically on a barricade. (CA MUTCD Part 2B (Regulatory Signs) and Part 6F)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Closure limits on the plan do not match the approved permit exactly.
- Closure not backed by advance warning and a signed detour.
- Local-access provisions unclear (especially for ROAD CLOSED TO THRU TRAFFIC).

USE WITH

R11-3a, R11-4, W20-3, M4-9

Public Ready note: Fully closing a road? Public Ready can supply ROAD CLOSED (R11-2), barricades, and detour signs.

R11-4

Road Closed To Thru Traffic



Road Closure Signs · Rectangle (Horizontal)
Size: 48" x 30"

MEANING

A regulatory sign stating that through travel is closed while still allowing local access to properties within the closure.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California where a road must be closed to through traffic but residents, businesses, or deliveries still need local access.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

At the closure point (activity area), typically on a barricade. (CA MUTCD Part 2B (Regulatory Signs) and Part 6F)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Closure limits on the plan do not match the approved permit exactly.
- Closure not backed by advance warning and a signed detour.
- Local-access provisions unclear (especially for ROAD CLOSED TO THRU TRAFFIC).

USE WITH

R11-2, R11-3a, W20-3, M4-9

Public Ready note: Closing to through traffic only? Public Ready can supply ROAD CLOSED TO THRU TRAFFIC (R11-4) and supporting signs.

R5-1

Do Not Enter



Regulatory Signs · Square

Size: 36" x 36"

MEANING

Prohibits entry into a roadway or lane, telling drivers they must not proceed past the sign in that direction.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California work zones to prevent wrong-way entry into closed lanes, ramps, or one-way segments created by the traffic control setup.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Point of regulation within the activity area. (CA MUTCD Part 2B (Regulatory Signs))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Temporary regulatory control not warranted or conflicts with existing control.
- Reduced speed limit posted without proper speed-setting authorization.
- Wrong-way protection (DO NOT ENTER / WRONG WAY) missing at closed approaches.

USE WITH

R5-2, R6-1, R6-2, R11-2

Public Ready note: Preventing wrong-way entry? Public Ready can supply DO NOT ENTER (R5-1) and WRONG WAY signs.

R6-1

One Way (Left)



Regulatory Signs · Rectangle (Horizontal)

Size: 36" x 12"

MEANING

Indicates that traffic on the roadway flows in one direction only, to the left, as shown by the horizontal arrow.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California work zones to define temporary one-way operation and confirm the permitted direction of travel through the setup.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Point of regulation within the activity area. (CA MUTCD Part 2B (Regulatory Signs))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Temporary regulatory control not warranted or conflicts with existing control.
- Reduced speed limit posted without proper speed-setting authorization.
- Wrong-way protection (DO NOT ENTER / WRONG WAY) missing at closed approaches.

USE WITH

R6-2, R5-1, R5-2, M4-9

Public Ready note: Setting up a temporary one-way? Public Ready can supply ONE WAY (R6-1) signs and supporting devices.

R5-2

Wrong Way



Regulatory Signs · Rectangle (Horizontal)

Size: 42" x 30"

MEANING

Alerts a driver who has entered a roadway in the wrong direction that they are traveling against traffic and must turn around.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California with DO NOT ENTER to protect one-way segments and closed ramps created by temporary traffic control.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Point of regulation within the activity area. (CA MUTCD Part 2B (Regulatory Signs))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Temporary regulatory control not warranted or conflicts with existing control.
- Reduced speed limit posted without proper speed-setting authorization.
- Wrong-way protection (DO NOT ENTER / WRONG WAY) missing at closed approaches.

USE WITH

R5-1, R6-1, R6-2, R11-2

Public Ready note: Protecting a one-way or closed ramp? Public Ready can supply WRONG WAY (R5-2) and DO NOT ENTER signs.

R6-2

One Way (Right)



Regulatory Signs · Rectangle (Horizontal)

Size: 36" x 12"

MEANING

Indicates that traffic on the roadway flows in one direction only, to the right, as shown by the horizontal arrow.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California work zones to define temporary one-way operation and confirm the permitted direction of travel through the setup.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Point of regulation within the activity area. (CA MUTCD Part 2B (Regulatory Signs))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Temporary regulatory control not warranted or conflicts with existing control.
- Reduced speed limit posted without proper speed-setting authorization.
- Wrong-way protection (DO NOT ENTER / WRONG WAY) missing at closed approaches.

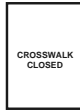
USE WITH

R6-1, R5-1, R5-2, M4-9

Public Ready note: Setting up a temporary one-way? Public Ready can supply ONE WAY (R6-2) signs and supporting devices.

R9-8

Crosswalk Closed



Pedestrian & Sidewalk Closure Signs - Rectangle (Vertical)
Size: 24" x 12" to 24" x 18" (pedestrian sign)

MEANING

Informs pedestrians that a crosswalk is closed and that they must use another crossing rather than the one that is blocked.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California to close a crosswalk affected by work and direct pedestrians to an alternate, accessible crossing.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

At and in advance of the pedestrian/sidewalk closure. (CA MUTCD Part 2B (pedestrian/sidewalk regulatory signs) and Part 6F)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- No ADA-compliant alternate pedestrian route shown on the TCP.
- Sidewalk closure not signed in advance (cross-here / ahead signs missing).
- Accessible width and surface of the pedestrian detour not noted.

USE WITH

R9-9, R9-11, R9-10, M4-9b

Public Ready note: Closing a crosswalk? Public Ready can supply CROSSWALK CLOSED (R9-8) and pedestrian routing signs.

R9-10

Sidewalk Closed Use Other Side



Pedestrian & Sidewalk Closure Signs - Rectangle (Vertical)
Size: 24" x 12" to 24" x 18" (pedestrian sign)

MEANING

Tells pedestrians that the sidewalk is closed and directs them to use the sidewalk on the opposite side of the street.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California where pedestrians can be safely shifted to the opposite sidewalk, with crossing points provided at each end of the closure.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

At and in advance of the pedestrian/sidewalk closure. (CA MUTCD Part 2B (pedestrian/sidewalk regulatory signs) and Part 6F)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- No ADA-compliant alternate pedestrian route shown on the TCP.
- Sidewalk closure not signed in advance (cross-here / ahead signs missing).
- Accessible width and surface of the pedestrian detour not noted.

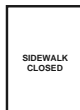
USE WITH

R9-9, R9-11, R9-11a, M4-9b

Public Ready note: Routing pedestrians across the street? Public Ready can supply SIDEWALK CLOSED USE OTHER SIDE (R9-10).

R9-9

Sidewalk Closed



Pedestrian & Sidewalk Closure Signs - Rectangle (Vertical)
Size: 24" x 12" to 24" x 18" (pedestrian sign)

MEANING

Informs pedestrians that the sidewalk is closed at that location, signaling that they must not continue along the blocked walkway.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California at the start of a sidewalk closure, typically with signs directing pedestrians to the other side or an alternate route.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

At and in advance of the pedestrian/sidewalk closure. (CA MUTCD Part 2B (pedestrian/sidewalk regulatory signs) and Part 6F)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- No ADA-compliant alternate pedestrian route shown on the TCP.
- Sidewalk closure not signed in advance (cross-here / ahead signs missing).
- Accessible width and surface of the pedestrian detour not noted.

USE WITH

R9-10, R9-11, R9-11a, M4-9b

Public Ready note: Closing a sidewalk? Public Ready can supply SIDEWALK CLOSED (R9-9) and the supporting pedestrian signs.

R9-11

Sidewalk Closed Ahead Cross Here



Pedestrian & Sidewalk Closure Signs - Rectangle (Vertical)
Size: 24" x 12" to 24" x 18" (pedestrian sign)

MEANING

Advises pedestrians of a sidewalk closure ahead and directs them to cross at the indicated location before reaching the closure.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California upstream of a sidewalk closure to move pedestrians across at a controlled point before the walkway is blocked.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

At and in advance of the pedestrian/sidewalk closure. (CA MUTCD Part 2B (pedestrian/sidewalk regulatory signs) and Part 6F)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- No ADA-compliant alternate pedestrian route shown on the TCP.
- Sidewalk closure not signed in advance (cross-here / ahead signs missing).
- Accessible width and surface of the pedestrian detour not noted.

USE WITH

R9-11a, R9-9, R9-10, M4-9b

Public Ready note: Need to move pedestrians across before a closure? Public Ready can supply SIDEWALK CLOSED AHEAD CROSS HERE (R9-11).

R9-11a

Sidewalk Closed Cross Here



Pedestrian & Sidewalk Closure Signs · Rectangle (Vertical)

Size: 24" x 12" to 24" x 18" (pedestrian sign)

MEANING

Marks the point where pedestrians should cross because the sidewalk is closed, directing them to the open side at the crossing.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California at the crossing point of a sidewalk closure to direct pedestrians across to the open walkway.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

At and in advance of the pedestrian/sidewalk closure. (CA MUTCD Part 2B (pedestrian/sidewalk regulatory signs) and Part 6F)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- No ADA-compliant alternate pedestrian route shown on the TCP.
- Sidewalk closure not signed in advance (cross-here / ahead signs missing).
- Accessible width and surface of the pedestrian detour not noted.

USE WITH

R9-11, R9-9, R9-10, M4-9b

Public Ready note: Marking a pedestrian crossing at a closure? Public Ready can supply SIDEWALK CLOSED CROSS HERE (R9-11a).

W20-7(CA)

Flagger (California)



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The California application of the Flagger warning sign, reflecting CA MUTCD and Caltrans flagging practice, sizing, and fluorescent orange sheeting.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

California applies the flagger symbol warning with Caltrans flagging procedures, commonly paired with BE PREPARED TO STOP and sized per Caltrans specifications.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W20-7, W3-4, W20-4, W20-1(CA)

Public Ready note: Flagging on a California project? Public Ready can supply the California FLAGGER sign and supporting flagging signs.

W20-1(CA)

Road Work Ahead (California)



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The California application of the ROAD WORK AHEAD warning, reflecting CA MUTCD and Caltrans conventions for legend, size, and fluorescent orange sheeting in work zones.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

California uses the federal W20-1 with the CA MUTCD's California modifications, including sign sizes from the Caltrans sign specifications and Standard Plans for the roadway type.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W20-1, W21-1, W20-7, G20-2

Public Ready note: Need the California ROAD WORK AHEAD per Caltrans specs? Public Ready can supply correctly sized California work-zone signs.

M4-9b(CA)

Pedestrian Detour (California)



Pedestrian & Sidewalk Closure Signs · Rectangle (Horizontal)

Size: 24" x 12" (route marker / plaque)

MEANING

The California application of the pedestrian detour marker, used to route pedestrians around sidewalk and crosswalk closures along an accessible alternate path.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

California emphasizes maintaining accessible pedestrian access; the pedestrian detour marker guides pedestrians around closures consistent with CA MUTCD and ADA requirements.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Along the detour route at each decision point. (CA MUTCD Part 6, Chapter 6F, and Part 2D (Guide Signs))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- No ADA-compliant alternate pedestrian route shown on the TCP.
- Sidewalk closure not signed in advance (cross-here / ahead signs missing).
- Accessible width and surface of the pedestrian detour not noted.

USE WITH

M4-9b, R9-9, R9-11, R9-10

Public Ready note: Routing pedestrians on a California project? Public Ready can supply the California PEDESTRIAN DETOUR and sidewalk-closure signs.

OM1-3

Object Marker (Type 1)



Object Markers · Square

Size: Per CA MUTCD object-marker standards

MEANING

Marks an obstruction or hazard within or adjacent to the roadway, using a high-contrast pattern to make the object visible day and night.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California to mark fixed objects, equipment, or hazards near the traveled way in and around work zones.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 3F (Object Markers))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Object marker omitted on a hazard that remains near traffic.
- Stripe direction does not guide traffic to the correct side.
- Marker type not appropriate for the obstruction.

USE WITH

OM2-2V, OM3-L, R11-2, W21-5a

Public Ready note: Marking roadside hazards? Public Ready can supply object markers and delineation devices.

OM2-2V

Object Marker (Type 2, Vertical)



Object Markers · Rectangle (Vertical)

Size: Per CA MUTCD object-marker standards

MEANING

A striped object marker that delineates the edge of an obstruction, with the stripes sloping down toward the side traffic should pass.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California to delineate the approach side of fixed objects and barriers near the traveled way in work zones.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 3F (Object Markers))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Object marker omitted on a hazard that remains near traffic.
- Stripe direction does not guide traffic to the correct side.
- Marker type not appropriate for the obstruction.

USE WITH

OM1-3, OM3-L, R11-2, W21-5a

Public Ready note: Delineating barriers or objects? Public Ready can supply striped object markers.

OM3-L

Object Marker (Type 3)



Object Markers · Rectangle (Vertical)

Size: Per CA MUTCD object-marker standards

MEANING

A striped Type 3 object marker used to mark the end of a roadway or a substantial obstruction, with stripes indicating the direction to pass.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California at the end of a closed roadway or on barricades to mark a full obstruction and direct traffic to the open side.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 3F (Object Markers))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Object marker omitted on a hazard that remains near traffic.
- Stripe direction does not guide traffic to the correct side.
- Marker type not appropriate for the obstruction.

USE WITH

OM1-3, OM2-2V, R11-2, R11-4

Public Ready note: Marking a roadway end or closure? Public Ready can supply Type 3 object markers and barricades.

W3-3

Stop Ahead



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Warns that a STOP sign or temporary stop control is ahead, giving drivers advance notice to slow down before they reach the mandatory stop.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California work zones where a temporary STOP sign is placed at a crossover, temporary intersection, or access control point, or where an existing STOP sign is obscured by construction activity.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

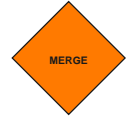
USE WITH

W3-4, R1-1, W20-1, W20-7

Public Ready note: Using a temporary STOP sign on a California project? Public Ready can supply STOP AHEAD (W3-3) and the supporting signs.

W4-1

Merge



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

Uses a symbol to warn that two lanes of traffic are merging into one, alerting drivers in both lanes to yield and merge safely.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California work zones at points where two moving lanes of traffic converge — such as a contraflow merge point, a temporary crossover merge, or a two-to-one taper where both lanes are live.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W4-2, W20-5, W9-2, W20-1

Public Ready note: Need a MERGE (W4-1) symbol sign? Public Ready can supply it with the full lane-closure or crossover package.

R9-3a

Pedestrian Crossing



Pedestrian & Sidewalk Closure Signs - Rectangle (Vertical)
 Size: 24" x 12" to 24" x 18" (pedestrian sign)

MEANING

Marks an established pedestrian crossing and advises drivers that pedestrians may be crossing the roadway at that location.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California work zones at temporary pedestrian crossings established to support a detoured walking route, especially where an accessible crossing has been created to replace one that is closed.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

At and in advance of the pedestrian/sidewalk closure. (CA MUTCD Part 2B (pedestrian/sidewalk regulatory signs) and Part 6F)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- No ADA-compliant alternate pedestrian route shown on the TCP.
- Sidewalk closure not signed in advance (cross-here / ahead signs missing).
- Accessible width and surface of the pedestrian detour not noted.

USE WITH

R9-9, R9-11, M4-9b, R9-10

Public Ready note: Setting up a temporary pedestrian crossing? Public Ready can supply PEDESTRIAN CROSSING (R9-3a) and the supporting signs.

R9-6

Bike Lane



Pedestrian & Sidewalk Closure Signs - Rectangle (Vertical)
 Size: 24" x 12" to 24" x 18" (pedestrian sign)

MEANING

Designates a lane reserved exclusively for bicycle travel, indicating that motor vehicles must not use the marked lane.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

Used in California work zones to re-establish or temporarily designate a bike lane where construction activity has shifted or closed the existing lane. Also used on TCPs that route cyclists through a work zone using a temporary bike lane.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

At and in advance of the pedestrian/sidewalk closure. (CA MUTCD Part 2B (pedestrian/sidewalk regulatory signs) and Part 6F)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

R9-9, R9-3a, M4-9b, R9-11

Public Ready note: Need a BIKE LANE (R9-6) sign for a California project? Public Ready can supply it and coordinate the bicycle routing plan.

W20-7a

Flagger



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W20-7a Flagger sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W20-7a Flagger is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W20-1, W20-2, W20-3, W20-4

Public Ready note: Need a Flagger (W20-7a) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W20-8

Slow and Stop (on Stop/Slow Paddle)



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W20-8 Slow and Stop (on Stop/Slow Paddle) sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W20-8 Slow and Stop (on Stop/Slow Paddle) is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W20-1, W20-2, W20-3, W20-4

Public Ready note: Need a Slow and Stop (on Stop/Slow Paddle) (W20-8) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W20-1b

Path Work (with distance)



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W20-1b Path Work (with distance) sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W20-1b Path Work (with distance) is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W20-1, W20-2, W20-3, W20-4

Public Ready note: Need a Path Work (with distance) (W20-1b) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W20-2a

Bike Detour (with distance)



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W20-2a Bike Detour (with distance) sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W20-2a Bike Detour (with distance) is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W20-1, W20-2, W20-3, W20-4

Public Ready note: Need a Bike Detour (with distance) (W20-2a) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W20-3a

Path Closed (with distance)



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W20-3a Path Closed (with distance) sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W20-3a Path Closed (with distance) is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W20-1, W20-2, W20-3, W20-4

Public Ready note: Need a Path Closed (with distance) (W20-3a) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W21-1a

Workers



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W21-1a Workers sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W21-1a Workers is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W21-1, W21-5, W21-5A, W21-7

Public Ready note: Need a Workers (W21-1a) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W21-2

Fresh Oil



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W21-2 Fresh Oil sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W21-2 Fresh Oil is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W21-1, W21-5, W21-5A, W21-7

Public Ready note: Need a Fresh Oil (W21-2) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W21-3

Road Machinery Ahead



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W21-3 Road Machinery Ahead sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W21-3 Road Machinery Ahead is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W21-1, W21-5, W21-5A, W21-7

Public Ready note: Need a Road Machinery Ahead (W21-3) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W21-4

Slow Moving Vehicle



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W21-4 Slow Moving Vehicle sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W21-4 Slow Moving Vehicle is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W21-1, W21-5, W21-5A, W21-7

Public Ready note: Need a Slow Moving Vehicle (W21-4) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W21-5b

Shoulder Closed (with distance)



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W21-5b Shoulder Closed (with distance) sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W21-5b Shoulder Closed (with distance) is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W21-1, W21-5, W21-5A, W21-7

Public Ready note: Need a Shoulder Closed (with distance) (W21-5b) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W21-6

Survey Crew



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W21-6 Survey Crew sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W21-6 Survey Crew is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W21-1, W21-5, W21-5A, W21-7

Public Ready note: Need a Survey Crew (W21-6) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W21-8

Mowing Ahead



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W21-8 Mowing Ahead sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W21-8 Mowing Ahead is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W21-1, W21-5, W21-5A, W21-7

Public Ready note: Need a Mowing Ahead (W21-8) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W22-1

Blasting Zone Ahead



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W22-1 Blasting Zone Ahead sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W22-1 Blasting Zone Ahead is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

Public Ready note: Need a Blasting Zone Ahead (W22-1) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W22-3

End Blasting Zone



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W22-3 End Blasting Zone sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W22-3 End Blasting Zone is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W22-1

Public Ready note: Need a End Blasting Zone (W22-3) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W23-1

Slow Traffic Ahead



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W23-1 Slow Traffic Ahead sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W23-1 Slow Traffic Ahead is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

Public Ready note: Need a Slow Traffic Ahead (W23-1) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W24-1

Double Reverse Curve (1 lane)



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W24-1 Double Reverse Curve (1 lane) sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W24-1 Double Reverse Curve (1 lane) is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

Public Ready note: Need a Double Reverse Curve (1 lane) (W24-1) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W24-1a

Double Reverse Curve (2 lanes)



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W24-1a Double Reverse Curve (2 lanes) sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W24-1a Double Reverse Curve (2 lanes) is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W24-1

Public Ready note: Need a Double Reverse Curve (2 lanes) (W24-1a) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W24-1b

Double Reverse Curve (3 lanes)



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W24-1b Double Reverse Curve (3 lanes) sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W24-1b Double Reverse Curve (3 lanes) is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

USE WITH

W24-1, W24-1A

Public Ready note: Need a Double Reverse Curve (3 lanes) (W24-1b) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

W23-2

New Traffic Pattern Ahead



Warning Signs · Diamond

Size: 48" x 48" on conventional roads; 60" x 60" on expressw

MEANING

The W23-2 New Traffic Pattern Ahead sign is a California MUTCD work zone warning sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

W23-2 New Traffic Pattern Ahead is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Advance warning area, ahead of the work. (CA MUTCD Part 6 (Temporary Traffic Control), Chapter 6F; warning-sign design in Part 2C)

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Sign not shown at the correct advance distance for the posted speed.
- Advance warning sign missing or out of sequence on the TCP.
- Wrong size specified for the roadway classification (conventional vs. expressway).

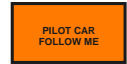
USE WITH

W23-1

Public Ready note: Need a New Traffic Pattern Ahead (W23-2) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

G20-4

Pilot Car Follow Me



Guide Signs · Rectangle

Size: 48" x 24"

MEANING

The G20-4 Pilot Car Follow Me sign is a California MUTCD work zone guide sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

G20-4 Pilot Car Follow Me is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Beginning of the work zone (advance/upstream). (CA MUTCD Part 6, Chapter 6F (Temporary Traffic Control))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Stated work-zone length does not match the actual work limits.
- END ROAD WORK missing or placed before the termination area.
- Wrong size specified for the facility.

USE WITH

G20-1, G20-2

Public Ready note: Need a Pilot Car Follow Me (G20-4) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.

G20-5aP

Work Zone (plaque)



Guide Signs - Rectangle

Size: 48" x 24"

MEANING

The G20-5aP Work Zone (plaque) sign is a California MUTCD work zone guide sign. It is shown here as an educational reference with the official FHWA Standard Highway Signs layout and California sizing guidance.

CALIFORNIA TCP USE

G20-5aP Work Zone (plaque) is used in California per the CA MUTCD. Confirm its size, retroreflective sheeting, placement, and spacing against the CA MUTCD 2026 and the reviewing agency before finalizing the traffic control plan.

TYPICAL PLACEMENT

Beginning of the work zone (advance/upstream). (CA MUTCD Part 6, Chapter 6F (Temporary Traffic Control))

COMMON PLAN REVIEW ISSUES

- Stated work-zone length does not match the actual work limits.
- END ROAD WORK missing or placed before the termination area.
- Wrong size specified for the facility.

USE WITH

G20-1, G20-2, G20-4

Public Ready note: Need a Work Zone (plaque) (G20-5aP) sign for a California work zone? Public Ready can help you rent or purchase project-ready signs.