

Traffic Control for Works on Roads

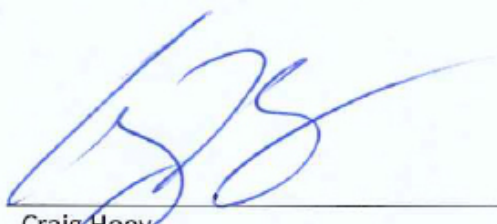
Tasmanian Guide

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FOREWORD

This Guide is not intended to be an interpretation of the Australian Standard 1742.3. The Department of State Growth does not have the resource capacity to design or approve traffic control arrangements for road work sites across Tasmania, and considers the Standard to provide sufficient guidance such that appropriately qualified and experienced personnel can set up suitable arrangements for any individual site anywhere in the State.



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1. INTRODUCTION

Traffic control at work sites is provided to maintain a safe workplace for workers and to safely guide road users through work sites. **It is essential for safety that the credibility of traffic control at work sites is maintained.** This can be achieved by ensuring that arrangements are as simple and predictable as possible, that devices are correctly installed, and that the measures applied match the road environment and work activities being undertaken.

Traffic control at work sites in Tasmania must be installed in accordance with the relevant Australian Standard – AS1742.3, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 3: Traffic control for works on roads.* Staff involved in installing and managing traffic control at work sites must understand the requirements of the Standard and be appropriately trained and qualified in its use.

This Guide provides additional information and clarification to support and complement the Standard.

2. AUTHORITY

There are a range of legislative provisions relevant to the management and control of works at road sites in Tasmania, including the *Traffic Act 1925*, the *Roads and Jetties Act 1935*, the *Local Government Highways Act 1982*, and the *Road Rules 2009*. Employers and workers at road work sites should also be aware of their obligations under a range of other legislation relating to workplace health and safety, disability discrimination, and any other legislation relevant to their industry.

State legislation can be viewed on-line at: <http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au>.

Commonwealth legislation can be viewed on-line at: <http://www.comlaw.gov.au>.

NB: Authorisation to undertake the works may be needed from the relevant road authority. Road authorities may specify additional conditions to those specified in this Guide, or in the Australian Standard, for the provision of traffic control at work sites on their roads. **Anyone planning to undertake works must contact the relevant road authority before commencing works.**

For the purposes of s59 of the *Traffic Act 1925*, this Guide constitutes the Transport Commission's directions for the installation of traffic signs at work sites on Tasmanian roads. Traffic signs installed in accordance with these directions are hereby approved by the Transport Commission.

3. TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

Those involved in providing traffic control at worksites, both in operational and managerial roles, must be competent. This means they must be appropriately trained, hold relevant qualifications, and have relevant field experience for the tasks they undertake.

1. Personnel undertaking **traffic management activities** in the road reserve must have satisfactorily completed the Australian Qualifications Framework Resources and Infrastructure Industry training package unit RIIOHS302A – 'Implement Traffic Management Plan' or equivalent.

2. In addition to the above qualification, where **manual traffic control** is required it shall be performed by those who have also satisfactorily completed the Australian Qualifications Framework Resources and Infrastructure Industry training package unit RIIOHS205A – ‘Control Traffic with a Stop/Slow Bat’ or equivalent.
3. As a minimum, **traffic management plans** must be certified by a person who has satisfactorily completed the Australian Qualifications Framework Resources and Infrastructure Industry training package unit RIICWD503A – ‘Prepare Work Zone Traffic Management Plan’ or equivalent. Satisfactory completion of the training specified at 1. (Implement Traffic Management Plan) is a pre-requisite.
4. For works involving more **complex traffic arrangements**, or staging, or both, traffic management plans shall be prepared by a person who has satisfactorily completed the Australian Qualifications Framework Resources and Infrastructure Industry training package unit RIICWD503A – ‘Prepare Work Zone Traffic Management Plan’ or equivalent **and** the Australian Qualifications Framework Resources and Infrastructure Industry training package unit RIIRIS301A – ‘Apply Risk Management Processes’ or equivalent. Satisfactory completion of the training specified at 3. (Prepare Work Zone Traffic Management Plan) and **at least** 12 months experience in the previous 3 years in selecting/modifying traffic control plans are pre-requisites.

Personnel are required to complete refresher training at three year intervals to keep up with ongoing changes to standards and legislation. Employers are required to ensure that employees’ qualifications are sufficient and current.

4. TRAINING TRANSITION ARRANGEMENTS

It is recognised that people must have reasonable opportunity to upgrade their current qualifications to meet the training standards specified in this Guide. Therefore, if a person holds qualifications meeting the standards in place prior to the introduction of this Guide in October 2011, those qualifications will continue to be accepted until they are due for renewal, at which time they must be upgraded to meet the current requirements.

The preference is for nationally recognised qualifications, but qualifications from other jurisdictions will be accepted if deemed equivalent by a Tasmanian Registered Training Organisation.



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