## Tasmanian Guide

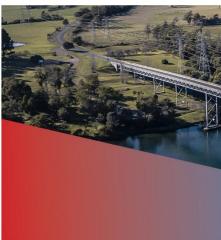
#### Traffic Control for Works on Roads

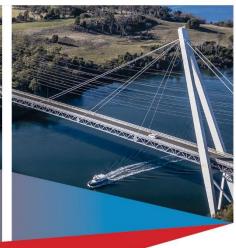














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For the purposes of s59 of the *Traffic Act 1925*, this Guide constitutes a Transport Commission Direction for the installation of traffic signs at work sites on Tasmanian roads. Traffic signs installed in accordance with the Guide are hereby approved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

This Direction is issued to all persons that are responsible for designing, implementing and managing temporary traffic management on Tasmania's road network.

#### Disclaimer

This Guide is not intended to be an interpretation of the Australian Standard 1742.3 or Austroads Guide to Temporary Traffic Management. The Department considers the aforementioned documents provide sufficient guidance to ensure appropriately qualified and experienced personnel can set up suitable arrangements for any individual site anywhere in the State.

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Table 1: Document Version History

Version	Date	Reason
1.0	October 2011	Initial Release
1.1	June 2014	Minor updates and amendments
1.2	May 2020	Recognition of the release of Austroads Guide to Temporary Traffic Management and update of Australian Standard AS 1742.3
1.3	June 2021	Minor updates and amendments
1.4	September 2021	Recognition of the release of Austroads Guide to Temporary Traffic Management Version 1.1 and minor updates and amendments
1.5	December 2023	Implementation of the National Training Framework for Temporary Traffic Management and updates and amendments

#### Introduction

Traffic control at work sites is provided to maintain a safe workplace for workers and safely guide road users through work sites. It is essential for safety that the credibility of traffic control at worksites is maintained. This is 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 designed and installed in accordance with this Guide, in conjunction with the latest versions of the Australian Standard – AS 1742.3 and Austroads Guide to Temporary Traffic Management (AGTTM).

#### **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 Tasmanian Road Rules 2019. Employers and workers at road work sites should also be aware of their obligations under other legislation relating to workplace health and safety, disability discrimination, and any other legislation relevant to their industry.

State legislation can be viewed online at: www.thelaw.tas.gov.au

Commonwealth legislation can be viewed online at: 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 the AGTTM. Anyone planning to undertake works must contact the relevant road authority before commencing works.

# Austroads Guide to Temporary Traffic Management

On 11 December 2019, Austroads released a new 10 Part Guide to Temporary Traffic Management (AGTTM) to improve the safety and efficiency of temporary traffic management on road worksites across Australia and New Zealand. Standards Australia published a significant update to AS 1742.3 - Manual of uniform traffic control devices Part 3: Traffic control for works on roads on the same day.

Tasmania formally adopted the AGTTM on 1 January 2021.

Staff involved in planning, designing, installing, and managing traffic control at work sites must understand the requirements of the AGTTM and be appropriately trained and qualified in its use.

The latest version of the AGTTM can be accessed at the Austroads website: www.austroads.com.au/network-operations/temporary-traffic-management/guide

The Department will notify the industry when an update to the AGTTM has been published by Austroads.

Following the release of an updated version of the AGTTM, the Department will recognise an appropriate transition period for the industry to familiarise themselves with the updated items.

Industry will be notified of this transition period via the State Roads TTM mailing list. Information on the mailing list is available at:

https://www.transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor and industry information/guide to temporary transgement

#### **Training Requirements**

The National Training Framework for Temporary Traffic Management (NTFTTM) is the only temporary traffic management training delivered in Tasmania from January 2024. The NTFTTM is designed to target traffic management roles and temporary traffic management categories.

Table 1: Traffic Management Roles for Temporary Traffic Management Categories

Roles	Temporary Traffic Management Category 1	Temporary Traffic Management Category 2	Temporary Traffic Management Category 3*
Traffic Controller (TC)	TC1	TC2	N/A (Portable Traffic Control Devices)
Traffic Management Implementer (TMI)	TMI1	TMI2	TMI3

Traffic Management Designer (TMD)	TMD1	TMD2	TMD3

<sup>\*</sup>Tasmania does not have any roads that are defined as TTM Category 3 at this point in time. See the information published at:

https://www.transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor and industry information/guide to temporary tr affic\_management for details

Requirements for traffic management training in Tasmania are as follows:

- the NTFTTM is the only temporary traffic management training that can be delivered in Tasmania from January 2024
- there are minimum entry requirements for all traffic management roles, please visit the <u>Austroads</u> website to view these requirements
- training can only be delivered by an Approved Training Provider (ATP)
- existing individual traffic management qualifications are accepted in Tasmania until an individual completes the required NTFTTM training within their allocated transition period

#### **Transition Arrangements**

For compliance with the AGTTM, it is necessary for all personnel undertaking any elements of Temporary Traffic Management to renew their training according to the NTFTTM.

To allow for a staggered transition to the NTFTTM, the Department has provided transition period arrangements for individuals to update their qualification to the NTFTTM.

Once an individual has completed the NTFTTM, the refresher requirements are then applicable, and every 3 years they must complete refresher training in the relevant temporary traffic management role and category.

Table 3: Transition arrangements

Last qualification date	Time until they must complete the NTFTTM* (from 1 Jan 2024)
2023	24 months
2022	18 months
2021	15 months
2020 and earlier	12 months

<sup>\*</sup>These timeframes may change with the requirements of delivering the NTFTTM

For example:

- An individual who last completed traffic management training in 2023 should book for the equivalent NTFTTM course within 24 months (e.g., before January 2026)
- An individual who last completed traffic management training in 2022 should book for the equivalent NTFTTM course within 18 months (e.g., before July 2025)
- An individual who last completed traffic management training in 2021 should book for the equivalent NTFTTM course within 15 months (e.g., before April 2025)
- An individual who last completed traffic management training in 2020, 2019, 2018 or 2017 should book for the equivalent NTFTTM course within 12 months (e.g., before January 2025)

#### Refresher training

Qualifications will need to be renewed within 3 years of being issued the Statement of Attainment for the relevant NTFTTM course. You can do this by completing refresher training.

To be eligible to complete a refresher course you must meet the following criteria:

- you must complete a refresher course prior to your training date expiring (for example, if your training was completed on 1 July 2024, your training expiry date will be 1 July 2027)
- you must hold the skill sets for the refresher training you wish to complete (for example, to complete the refresher course for Traffic Controller 1 you must hold the current skill sets for Traffic Controller 1)
- you must be able to demonstrate you have industry currency to complete a refresher course.

If you are unsure about your current qualification or refresher requirements, please contact <a href="mailto:ttm.tasmania@stategrowth.tas.gov.au">ttm.tasmania@stategrowth.tas.gov.au</a>

### Training for non-practitioners

The Department of State Growth is committed to enhancing the professional development and safety of all roadside workers. The Department acknowledges a significant gap in the existing training environment. With the introduction of the NTFTTM, there is a clear need for a training course tailored to the requirements of roadside workers who do not engage in temporary traffic management activities.

State Growth and Austroads are investigating options to meet these requirements and will provide information to industry as it emerges.

Non-practitioners in temporary traffic management can still complete the NTFTTM courses that may be relevant to their role/organisation, however, to obtain a full Statement of Attainment from an ATP, it is a requirement to complete the practical learning component. Information on practical learning requirements is available <a href="here">here</a>. A Statement of Attendance will be issued to individuals who do not complete the practical learning component.

## Recognition of Prior Learning

For current professionals in the temporary traffic management industry, <u>Recognition of Prior Learning</u> (<u>RPL</u>) will be available to transition personnel.

RPL involves an assessment of previous and current skills, knowledge, and experience and how an individual may meet the requirements of an Austroads Temporary Traffic Management Training program (skill set).

If an individual can clearly show that they have already gained the equivalent skills, or knowledge, then they may be granted recognition of prior learning (RPL) for a skill set for an Austroads Temporary Traffic Management Training program (skill set).

This includes skills, knowledge or experience gained through part-time, full-time, or casual work.

#### To apply for this:

- make an enquiry regarding RPL for a skill set to an Approved Training Provider (ATP)
- the ATP will discuss eligibility requirements
- if eligible to apply for RPL, the training provider will discuss the RPL process, cost, and contact person for queries.

RPL is not available for people who have an attainment year of 2016 or earlier and these individuals must complete the training in full.

If an individual is unable to pass the challenge test, or cannot demonstrate competency, they will need to complete the NTFTTM course from the beginning. Individuals can choose to apply for RPL or complete the NTFTTM training from the beginning.

#### **Approved Training Providers**

An Approved Training Provider (ATP) is a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) that has been approved by the Department of State Growth and Austroads to deliver Temporary Traffic Management training in Tasmania.

A list of Tasmanian ATPs is available here.

An RTO cannot provide training under NTFTTM without becoming an ATP in Tasmania. Therefore, being approved as an ATP in one state or territory does not automatically entitle you to provide training in another state or territory.

Information on how to apply to be an ATP is available on the Transport Website: <a href="https://www.transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_information/guide\_to\_temporary\_transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks

#### **Truck Mounted Attenuators**

Tasmania and the Department of State Growth supports the use of Truck Mounted Attenuators (TMAs) in line with guidance from the Austroads Guide to Temporary Traffic Management (AGTTM).

Tasmania has not currently nominated any roads as TTM Category 3 and therefore is not actively insisting on the consideration for TMAs outlined in the Austroads Guidance at this stage. <u>AGTTM Part 4:</u> <u>Mobile Works</u> has information on the use of TMAs.

For TTM Category 2 and 1, a contractor or organisation should conduct a risk assessment to determine if the use of a TMA on a that road is appropriate, particularly where traffic volumes and approach speeds are high in a Tasmanian context.

As TMAs have not been extensively used or readily available in Tasmania in the past, we appreciate that industry needs time to acquire the necessary equipment and associated training but have been encouraging TMA adoption where practical.

Information on temporary traffic management devices and approval processes, including TMAs, are available at the Transport website:

www.transport.tas.gov.au/roadworks/contractor\_and\_industry\_information/temporary\_traffic\_manageme\_nt\_device\_approval



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