

**Approved by NCUTCD Council January 20, 2006**

**TECHNICAL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**TECHNICAL COMMITTEE:** Temporary Traffic Control Committee

**DATE OF ACTION:** June 23, 2005

**TOPIC:** Section 6l .01,.02,.03

**ORIGIN OF REQUEST:** Gene Putman, Chair of the TTC of the NCUTCD brought the proposed additional language to the Task Force and then to the full technical committee.

**DISCUSSION:** The Department of Homeland Security and Presidential Directive DHSPD #5 and 8 requires the adoption of the National Incident Management System, and the Incident Command System by all federal, state, tribal and local governments. These two systems are require for all planned and unplanned incidents in the United States.

**COMMITTEE ACTION:** The Temporary Traffic Control (TTC) Committee recommends that the National Committee submit the following proposed MUTCD change to sponsors for comments.  
**Next page are changes voted on.**

.

**VOTE:** For -27  
Opposed - 0  
Abstentions - 0

**REFERENCE TO AFFECTED PAGE NUMBERS IN MUTCD:** Pages 6l-1,2,and 3 Section 6l.01,.02, and .03 in 2003 Edition MUTCD

## Section 6I.01 General

1) After the First Standard:

**“Standard:**

The needs and control of all road users (motorist, bicyclists, and pedestrians within the highway,.....maintenance operation, and the management of traffic incident. “

**Add Second Paragraph to Standard:**

In traffic incident management areas, Incident Command System (ICS) as required by the National Incident Management System (NIMS) shall be implemented and used by all responders involved in the traffic Incident.

## 2) First Guidance: Second paragraph

“On-scene responder organizations, ~~including news media~~ should train their personnel in safe practices for accomplishing their tasks in and near traffic. On-scene responders should take measures to move the incident off the traveled roadway or provide for appropriate warning. All on-scene responders and news media personnel should always be aware of their visibility to oncoming traffic and should wear a Type high visibility apparel. H-vest, ~~and take measures to move the incident as far off the traveled roadway as possible or provide for appropriate warning.~~

### Section 6I.02 Major Traffic Incidents

First Paragraph in last Guidance ADD:

“ When flares are used to initiate TTC at traffic incidents, more permanent traffic control devices should replace them as soon as practical. Both the flare and its supporting device should then be removed from the roadway”.

#### Option

Light sticks (~~chemical light sticks~~) when used to initiate TTC at traffic incidents can may remain when more permanent traffic control devices are deployed as long as they do not conflict with those devices.

### Section 6I.03 Intermediate Traffic Incidents

First Paragraph in last Guidance ADD:

“ When flares are used to initiate TTC at traffic incidents, more permanent traffic control devices should replace them as soon as practical. Both the flare and its supporting device should then be removed from the roadway.”

#### Option

Light sticks (~~chemical light sticks~~) when used to initiate TTC at traffic incidents can may remain when more permanent traffic control devices are deployed as long as they do not conflict with those devices.