TECHNICAL COMMITTEE : Regulatory/Warning Sign TC

TASK FORCE: FHWA 2006 New issues – Issue #20

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REQUEST NUMBER

TOPIC: Sign Designation, Add suffix “m” for metric versions

ORIGIN OF REQUEST: NPA R/W Sign issues - FHWA

DISCUSSION:

Problem statement: (FROM NPA)

Add “m” suffix for metric signs.

Response:

The 2003 MUTCD and 2004 SHS include a number of metric sign legends that are equivalent to the English versions of the signs. In most cases, the metric version of a specific sign has the same sign designation as the English version. As a result there is no method to distinguish the two versions of the sign. Examples are Speed Limit signs (R2-1, R2-2, R2-3, R2-4) signs containing distances, and weight limit signs. These metric signs are shown in the 2003 MUTCD without Sign Designation codes.

Recommendation:

It is recommendation that the same Sign Designation code be used for the metric version of the signs but with an additional suffix “m” to designate the metric version of these signs.

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