



TAILGATE/TOOLBOX SAFETY MEETINGS

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Company Name: _____ Job Site Location: _____

Date: _____ Foreman/Supervisor: _____

Topic 73: Identifying Pavement Markings and Traffic Barricades

Introduction: Pavement markings and barricades are used to guide and warn drivers as well as to regulate traffic. Painted roadway markings may be yellow or white, solid or broken, and can appear in combinations. Each combination has a different meaning. Barricades are used to protect workmen and to warn drivers of road hazards, usually temporary, such as construction and work-zones. Traffic control on a jobsite is an important factor in worker safety and is usually established at project start-up.

Following is a general run-down of traffic control and safety devices:

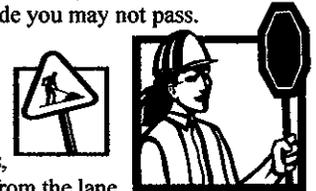
Barricades or other temporary traffic control or warning devices:

- ✦ **Barricades may be** of a single placard, vertical type, a double placard, horizontal type, or may simply be a solid orange, plastic cone designed to be moved or rearranged quickly.
- ✦ **Placard barricades** are designed with orange and white diagonal stripes for easy visibility. The barricades are normally placed so that the downward slope of the stripe indicates on which side of the barricade traffic is to pass.
- ✦ **Barricades may be equipped** with flashers for use at night and are often used with temporary signs which give specific directions to be followed.
- ✦ **All barricades indicate** that there is danger to the other side of the barricade which they are directing you around or away from and should be respected for the protection they afford to motorists and workmen.



Pavement markings are used as a permanent traffic regulation device and are described as follows:

- ✦ **Broken yellow lines:** A broken yellow line indicates that passing on the left is permitted only when the roadway is clear. Pass with extreme caution.
- ✦ **Solid and broken yellow lines:** A broken yellow line alongside a solid yellow line indicates that passing is permitted only in one direction. If the broken yellow line is on your side, you may pass when the roadway is clear. If the solid yellow line is on your side you may not pass.
- ✦ **Double yellow lines:** Double solid yellow lines mean that passing is not allowed in either direction. You may not cross the lines except to make a left turn to exit the roadway.
- ✦ **Broken white lines:** Broken white lines separate lanes of traffic going in the same direction. These lines may be crossed with caution. Remember to signal your intention prior to changing lanes.
- ✦ **Solid white lines:** Solid white lines are used for turn lanes and to prevent lane changes approaching intersections, at freeway exits, and on-ramps. Arrows are often used with the white lines to indicate which turn may be made from the lane.
- ✦ **Turn lane arrows:** If you are traveling in a lane marked with a curved arrow and the word "ONLY", you must turn in the direction indicated by the arrow. If your lane is marked with both a curved and a straight arrow, you may turn in the direction indicated by the curved arrow or you may go straight ahead.



Painted curbs: A painted yellow, white, or red curb means that you must follow special rules to park there.

- ✦ **White curbs:** You may stop only long enough to pick up or drop off passengers.
- ✦ **Yellow curbs:** You may stop only long enough to load or unload. You must stay with the vehicle.
- ✦ **Red curbs:** A red painted curb means you may not stop, stand, or park.



Conclusion: Pavement markings and barricades are for everyone's protection and must be obeyed. Remember that traffic signs, roadway paint, temporary warning devices, flagmen (or other traffic directors), and barricades should be construed as local traffic law. Disobeying their directions is not only dangerous, but may result in a moving violation. Disregard for temporary roadway warning devices such as crossing barricades, moving barricades or cones, or unauthorized removal of these devices is a violation which endangers other drivers and any personnel working behind them. Follow the directions of these traffic warning devices in order to maintain safe road conditions.

Work Site Review

Specific Work-Site Hazards and Safety Suggestions: _____

Employee Signatures:

(My signature attests and verifies my understanding of and agreement to comply with, all company safety policies and regulations, and that I have not suffered, experienced, or sustained any recent, reportable, job-related injury or illness.)

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Foreman/Supervisor's Signature:

These guidelines do not supercede local, state, or federal regulations and must not be construed as a substitute for, or legal interpretation of, any OSHA regulations.