

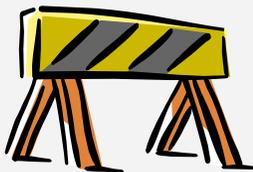
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## NCHRP 350 Compliant Signs

The following is updated information for temporary signs and speed limits in work zones.

### Temporary Signs

Effective with the 2006 construction season, MDOT must be in compliance with NCHRP 350 (crashworthy criteria) for work zone devices. Projects let in December 2005 and later already contain the new requirements. For projects let in October and November 2005, the following procedures shall apply:

1. All 20 square foot signs must meet the Special Provision for Temporary Signs (03SP812[H]). This may require replacement of existing signs for projects that are already under construction and may require an adjustment to the unit price. Use the following pay item code and title for the pay items: **Pay Item Code – 8127010, Pay Item**

– Sign, Type B,  
Temp, Furn,  
Modified, **Unit – Sft**  
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– Sign, Type, B,  
Temp, Prismatic,  
Furn, Modified, **Unit**  
– Sft

2. Per the special provision, bases for portable signs using only one rigid leg shall be in an “X” configuration. If the contractor proposes another configuration, contact the Construction and Technology Support Area to discuss.
3. The special provision makes reference to the WZ-74 acceptance letter, which meets the NCHRP 350 criteria. If this detail is used, the vertical stub must be located 15 to 20 inches from the front of the base.

Please share this information with consultants and local agencies in your area.