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RD-LM-C3 Installation of Guide Posts and Delineators

1 General

- 1.1 This Part specifies the requirements for the installation of semi-flexible and flexible (buried or driven) guide posts and delineators.
- 1.2 Guide posts and delineators shall comply with RD-LM-S3 “Supply of Guide Posts and Delineators”.
- 1.3 The following definitions apply:

Term	Definition
Flexible guide post	A guide post which deflects when impacted by a vehicle and then returns to a vertical position, without maintenance intervention.
Semi-flexible guide post	A guide post which fails by bending when impacted by a vehicle and can be straightened with maintenance intervention.

- 1.4 Documents referenced in this Part are listed below:
- RD-LM-S3 “Supply of Guide Posts and Delineators”.
 - AS 1742.2 Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices – Traffic Control Devices for General Use.

2 Installation of guide posts

- 2.1 Guide posts shall be installed vertically and in accordance with:
- the drawings (if any);
 - the manufacturer's instructions;
 - the spacing requirements in AS 1742.2; and
 - the mandatory offset distance requirement outlined in Table RD-LM-C3 2-1.

Table RD-LM-C3 2-1 Guidepost Offset

Sealed Shoulders		Unsealed Shoulders	
TRAFFICABLE	NON-TRAFFICABLE	TRAFFICABLE	NON-TRAFFICABLE
1.5 metres minimum	1.5 metres desirable	2.0 metres minimum	0.5 metres minimum
2.5 metres maximum	1.0 metre minimum	2.5 metres maximum	

- 2.2 The offset is measured from the edge line. If there is no edge line, the offset is measured from the edge of seal.
- 2.3 Where a sealed shoulder in excess of 1.0 m is provided and an absolute minimum offset of 1.5 m cannot be provided from the edge of seal to the guide posts within the existing formed shoulder, then the guide posts shall be placed at the edge of the seal. Guide posts shall be positioned so that a consistent offset is maintained along a section of road. Guide posts shall not be provided on kerbed roads.
- 2.4 Redundant existing guide posts shall be removed and either disposed of, or recycled, by the Contractor.

3 Installation of Delineators

General

- 3.1 A delineator shall be mounted on each guide post facing oncoming traffic in accordance with AS 1742.2.

- 3.2 Discrete device type retroreflectors shall be installed in any of the following instances:
- areas subject to regular occurrences of fog; and
 - to define restrictions of the carriage way at bridges, culverts or floodways.
- 3.3 Sheeting type retroreflectors shall be installed at all other locations.

Fixing to road safety barrier systems

- 3.4 Delineators shall be located in accordance with Table RD-LM-C3 3-1. The delineators shall be mounted on the barrier and shall not protrude past the line of the barrier into the trafficked lane.
- 3.5 Delineators on Road Safety Barrier Systems shall have an area of 50 cm² and minimum width 50 mm.

Table RD-LM-C3 3-1 Delineators on Road Safety Barrier Systems

Location of Road Safety Barrier Systems	Placement of Delineators
Greater than 4.0 m from the edge of the nearest running lane.	Delineators shall not be installed on the Road Safety Barrier. Delineators shall be placed on any guide posts located inside the fence line at the edge of the shoulder and at normal guide post spacings as per AS 1742.2.
Between 4.0 m from the edge of the nearest running lane and the normal line of guideposts.	Delineators shall be placed at the first fence post and then as near as practicable with the spacing specified for guide posts in AS 1742.2. Sections of guard fence less than 30 m long shall have one delineator at each end of the fence.
Within the normal line of guide posts.	Delineators shall be placed at the first fence post and then at a desirable spacing of 8.0 m, but not greater than 10.0 m.
Road Safety Barrier installed alongside kerbed urban roads, but excluding sections of road with kerbing associated with bridge or culvert structures on roads which are predominantly unkerbed.	Delineators shall not be placed on Road Safety Barrier.
Wire Rope Road Safety Barrier system placed within a narrow median (less than 2.8 m wide)	Delineators shall be spaced at 10.0 m +/- 2.0 m.

Guide Posts at Bridges and Culverts

- 3.6 At all culverts, a culvert marker shall be installed on the first post on the left side approach only. The marker shall:
- have minimum dimensions of 80 mm x 50 mm when measured on a flat on a flat surface;
 - be black in colour; and
 - be located horizontally 50 mm below the delineator.
- 3.7 Where a guide post marking a culvert reduces the guide posts spacing to less than half that would normally be expected, the posts shall be relocated to ensure a minimum spacing of half the normal spacing is achieved.

Guide Posts at Overtaking Lane Merge Tapers

- 3.8 Where overtaking lanes have been installed, the guide post spacing is reduced to define the merge taper at each end of the overtaking lane, as shown on Appendix 1: Overtaking Lane – Merge Area Delineation Treatment (Drawing TES 12408).

4 Hold Points

- 4.1 There are no Hold Points referenced in this Part.

