



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
**TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION**

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Broward County Traffic Engineering Division's  
School Zone Installation Standards, Policies, and Procedures

1. School zones shall be established when warranted by an engineering study. They shall be consistent with the Broward County Traffic Engineering Division's School Zone Installation Standards and the Florida Department of Transportation's Manual on Speed Zoning For Highways, Roads, and Streets in Florida, also known as the Speed Zone Manual. In situations where there is conflict, the Broward County Traffic Engineering Division's School Zone Installation Standards supercede's the FDOT's Speed Zone Manual.
2. All School zones shall have a posted speed limit of 15 mph.
3. School zones shall be established and maintained on roadways at or near school property. School zones shall be designated by school zone flashers or school zone assembly signs. Times plaques shall not be installed within the school zone where designated school zone flashers exist.
4. School signing shall not be installed at locations over 0.5 miles from schools, except when an engineering study indicates the need.
5. At intersections within the 0.5 mile radius of schools, the S1-1 (School Crossing)/W16-7P (Diagonal Arrow) & S1-1/W16-9P (Ahead) signs shall be installed on established school walk routes and where an engineering study indicates a school zone may also be warranted. The S1-1/W16-7P sign shall not be displayed on approaches controlled by a yield or stop sign, per the MUTCD.
6. Uncontrolled crossings along established school walk routes shall utilize a painted special emphasis crosswalk with both S1-1/W16-7P & S1-1/W16-9P signs.
  - a. Should conditions justify additional protection to facilitate safe crossing, a pedestrian mid-block signal should be considered. An engineering study must be conducted to determine the need for all signal installations.
7. Installation of a reduced speed school zone adjacent to the school property shall follow the Speed Zone Manual.
8. The "SCHOOL" pavement message shall be utilized on all multilane roadways, adjacent to the school flashing beacon. On two lane roadways, an engineering study will be conducted to determine if this installation is warranted.



9. The R10-15 (Turning Vehicles Stop Pedestrians) sign may be used at signalized intersections where turning traffic constitutes a hazard to students using crosswalks as indicated by an engineering study.
10. The end of the 15 mph reduced school zone shall be identified by an S5-2 sign.
11. The R1-6b or R1-6c (In-Street Pedestrian Crossing) sign may be used and installed as a temporary (portable) installation by the municipalities during the morning and afternoon school zone times only. BCTED shall not install or utilize this sign installation either on a temporary or permanent basis.

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