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Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee MS-012, Road Signs and Traffic Signals, to supersede AS 1742.1—2014.

The AS 1742 series comprises the following Standards:

AS 1742.1, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 1: General introduction and index of signs* (this Standard)

AS 1742.2, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 2: Traffic control devices for general use*

AS 1742.3, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 3: Traffic control for works on roads*

AS 1742.4, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 4: Speed controls*

AS 1742.5, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 5: Street name and community facility name signs*

AS 1742.6, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 6: Tourist and services signs*

AS 1742.7, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 7: Railway crossings*

AS 1742.8 (withdrawn, refer to Parts 2 and 15)

AS 1742.9, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 9: Bicycle facilities*

AS 1742.10, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 10: Pedestrian control and protection*

AS 1742.11, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 11: Parking controls*

AS 1742.12, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 12: Bus, transit, tram and truck lanes*

AS 1742.13, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 13: Local area traffic management*

AS 1742.14, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 14: Traffic signals*

AS 1742.15, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 15: Direction signs, information signs and route numbering*

This edition now includes all new signs and other changes resulting from the revision of this and other Standards in the AS 1742 series. In addition, it was updated to align with AS 1744, *Standard alphabets for road signs*, and AS 1743, *Road signs—Specifications*.

The relationship between Australian Standards and publications produced by Austroads should be noted. The former provides specifications and procedures that ensure that products and services are safe and reliable, and consistently perform the way they are intended. The latter provides guidance documents that deal with the design, construction maintenance and operation of the road network. Austroads documents are also used by road authorities in New Zealand.

In cases of similar subject matter, this is dealt with across both sets of documents (e.g. AS 1742.4 and Austroads, *Guide to Road Safety, Part 3: Speed Limits and Speed Management*). Where this occurs, each document aims to provide information that is consistent, complimentary and supportive of the other.

The terms “normative” and “informative” are used in Standards to define the application of the appendices to which they apply. A “normative” appendix is an integral part of a Standard, whereas an “informative” appendix is only for information and guidance.

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Introduction

The *Manual of uniform traffic control devices* was originally prepared by the Australian Committee on Road Devices (ACORD) under the direction of the then Australian Transport Advisory Council. It was subsequently approved by the Standards Australia Council for publication as an Australian Standard in two Parts, AS 1742.1—1975 and AS 1742.2—1978. These Standards superseded the *Australian Standard Road Signs Code* which was first published in 1935 with revisions in 1946 and 1960.

The decision to revise and publish AS 1742 as a series of self-contained parts each dealing with a specific situation, was taken in 1983 in consultation with the National Association of Australian State Road Authorities (now Austroads). The decision was supported by an Australia-wide survey of Local Government Authorities also undertaken in 1983.

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Section 1 Scope and general

1.1 Scope

This document covers the signs used for regulating, warning and guiding road users. It specifies the sign classifications and the numbering system used and sets out the basic design of signs in terms of colour and shape coding. It provides an illustrated index of all signs and sign types which have a standard sign number, and includes sign sizes and reference to other Standards in this series, which cover usage of each sign.

NOTE 1 Pavement markings for general purposes are specified in AS 1742.2. Where special pavement markings are specified, e.g. for bus lanes, these are given in the Standard which relates to that particular traffic situation.

NOTE 2 Requirements for traffic signals are specified in AS 1742.14.

NOTE 3 Detailed specifications for the design and manufacture of signs are given in AS 1743.

NOTE 4 Detailed specification for the letters and numerals used for the design and manufacture of signs is given in AS 1744.

NOTE 5 This index does not cover electronic versions of signs.

1.2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document.

AS 1742.2, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 2: Traffic control devices for general use*

AS 1742.3, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 3: Traffic control for works on roads*

AS 1742.4, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 4: Speed controls*

AS 1742.5, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 5: Street name and community facility name signs*

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AS 1742.15, *Manual of uniform traffic control devices, Part 15: Direction signs, information signs and route numbering*

AS 1743, *Road signs — Specifications*

AS 1744, *Standard alphabets for road signs*

AS 2890.1, *Parking facilities, Part 1: Off-street car parking*

AS/NZS 1906.1, *Retroreflective materials and devices for road traffic control purpose, Part 1: Retroreflective sheeting*

1.3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document the following terms and definitions apply:

1.3.1

may

indicates the existence of an option

1.3.2

shall

indicates that a statement is mandatory

1.3.3

should

indicates a recommendation

1.3.4

traffic control device

any sign, signal, pavement marking or other installation placed or erected by a public authority or official body, having the necessary jurisdiction, for the purpose of regulating, warning or guiding road users

1.4 Classification of signs

Signs are classified by function as shown in [Table 1.1](#).

Table 1.1 — Sign classification and function

Class	Function
Regulatory signs (Type R)	To regulate the movement of traffic by indicating when or where a legal requirement applies, failure to comply with which constitutes an offence.
Warning signs (Type W)	To warn road users of unexpected or hazardous conditions on or adjacent to the road.
Direction signs (Type G)	To inform and advise road users of directions, destinations, route names and distances, non-regulatory traffic instructions, the location of tourist and service facilities for road users, and points of interest.
Expressway direction signs (Type GE)	To inform and advise road users on expressway type roads of directions, destinations, route distances, non-regulatory traffic instructions, the location of services for travellers and other points of interest.
Temporary signs (Type T)	To control, warn and guide road users safely through, around or past work sites on roads and footpaths and to warn and advise of other temporary hazardous conditions that could endanger road users.
Hazard markers (Type D)	To delineate a marked change in the direction of travel or to emphasize the presence of an obstruction.
Multi-message signs (Type RM, WM, GM and TM)	To be used within multi-message frame.

1.5 Number of signs and sign components

1.5.1 Signs

The alphanumeric coding system for signs is as follows:

- (a) A letter prefix, as shown below, to denote class of sign:
 - R — Regulatory signs
 - W — Warning signs
 - G and GE — Direction signs and free-standing route markers
 - T — Temporary signs
 - D — Hazard markers
- (b) A number denoting the series, or group of signs.
- (c) A second and sometimes a third number identifying the sign in the series, or group.

NOTE Where there are variants of a particular sign, they are identified by the third number.
- (d) For signs with more than one standard size, a letter denoting the size of the sign, e.g. A, AA, B, C, D, where A or AA is the smallest sign.
- (e) The letters (L) or (R), when the sign has directional significance.

EXAMPLE R2-6A (L) or (R) denotes a regulatory sign in the Direction series—R2. The sign is the sixth in the series, is the smallest available, and has directional significance.

1.5.2 Symbols for tourist service signs

Symbols for services signs are identified by the letter prefix S and tourist sign symbols by TS. They are followed by a number indicating the particular symbol.

1.6 Basic elements of signs

1.6.1 General

Traffic signs may contain instructions which the road user is required to obey. They may contain warning of hazards which may not be self-evident, or information about routes, directions, destinations and points of interest. The means employed to convey information consists of a combination of a message and a distinctive sign, shape and colour. The message may be either a legend or a symbol, or both.

As signs are an essential part of the road traffic system, their message should be consistent, and their design and placement coordinated with the road geometric design.

Uniformity in the design of signs facilitates identification by the road user. Standardization of shape, colour and message is used to enable the various classes of sign to be promptly recognized.

1.6.2 Shape

Sign shapes and their application are as follows:



The octagon is reserved exclusively for the STOP sign.



The equilateral triangle with one point downward is reserved exclusively for the GIVE WAY and Roundabout signs.



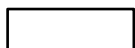
The rectangle with long axis vertical is used generally for regulatory signs other than those for which a specific alternative shape is prescribed, and for non-regulatory traffic instruction signs. It is sometimes used for direction signs where the location and sign layout require a “portrait” format.



The circle is used for regulatory signs associated with pedestrian safety, hand banners, and the Railway Crossing Gate Position sign.



The diamond is used for warning signs.



The rectangle with long axis horizontal is used for direction and information signs, signs for works on roads and footpaths and other temporary hazards, free-standing alphanumeric route numbering, MABC Type route markers and supplementary plates used with warning and regulatory signs.



The shield is only used for tourist route markers.

1.6.3 Colour

The standard colours for signs shall conform to those specified in AS 1743. The application of colours is as follows:

- (a) *Red* — shall be used —
 - (i) as a background colour for STOP signs, signs relating to wrong way movement and reducing speed, hand STOP banners and flags, special hazard signs, and railway crossing position signs and gate signs;
 - (ii) as a legend colour on prohibitive parking signs and STOP HERE ON RED SIGNAL (ARROW) signs;
 - (iii) as a border colour on GIVE WAY signs; and
 - (iv) as a colour associated with symbols on certain regulatory signs.
- (b) *Black* — shall be used —
 - (i) as a legend colour for signs having a white, yellow, fluorescent yellow, fluorescent yellow-green or fluorescent orange background; and
 - (ii) as a background colour for hazard markers, width markers and T-junction sight boards.
- (c) *White* — shall be used —
 - (i) as a background colour for most regulatory signs, most information signs, street and road name signs, bicycle route direction signs and the diagonal cross for position signs at railway or tramway crossings; and
 - (ii) as a legend colour on signs having a green, blue, black, red or brown background.
- (d) *Yellow* — shall be used —
 - (i) as a background colour for most warning signs, Advisory Speed signs, and for most roadworks and other temporary hazard signs; and

- (ii) as a legend colour for route numbers on direction signs and free-standing alphanumeric route numbering (MABC type route markers).

NOTE For alphanumeric route numbering, see AS 1742.15.

- (e) *Fluorescent orange*—shall be used as a background colour for roadworks signs that relate to people working on the road, for CHILDREN CROSSING flags and the hand STOP banner for use at a children's crossing.
- (f) *Fluorescent yellow* — may be used as a background colour in lieu of yellow for roadwork signs, route numbers on direction signs and other specified hazard signs.
- (g) *Fluorescent yellow-green* — shall be used in lieu of yellow as a background colour for regulatory and warning signs for the protection of pedestrians.
- (h) *Green* — shall be used as a legend colour on permissive parking signs.
- (i) *Standard green* — shall be used as a background colour for direction signs (including expressway direction signs), the Kilometre plate (G10-3), free-standing MABC type route markers, finger boards with reflectorized legends and signs designating the start and end of an expressway type road.
- (j) *Blue* — shall be used as a background colour for overdimensional (OD) route signs, State and bicycle route markers, services signs and for the legend and border on bicycle route direction signs.
- (k) *Brown* — shall be used as a background colour for tourist route markers and tourist information signs.

1.6.4 Lettering

Letters and numerals used for word messages on signs described in this document shall conform to those specified in AS 1744.

The description and use of letters and numerals specified in AS 1744 is given at [Appendix A](#).

1.6.5 Symbols

Symbols shown on signs shall be limited to and shall conform to those shown in this document, the artwork for which is given in AS 1743. The only permitted exceptions to this requirement are in respect of the development of new symbols in accordance with that Standard. The development of new symbols shall be subject to all of the requirements of that Standard including determination of need, graphic design and comprehension testing.

The advantage of symbols is that, provided they meet the criteria specified above, for a given signboard size, they can usually be seen, read and interpreted at a greater distance ahead of the decision making point than legend signs.

NOTE The selection and testing of new symbols in accordance with AS 1743 will be beyond the capabilities of most users and will normally require the assistance of a research establishment having the necessary facilities and expertise.

1.6.6 Reflectorization and illumination

1.6.6.1 General

Signs that are intended to convey their messages during the hours of darkness (except parking signs) shall be either illuminated or reflectorized so that their colours and shape are as recognizable by night as by day. Illumination may be required where reflectorization is judged to be ineffective, for

example, on overhead signs. Reflectorization may also be ineffective in some areas with high intensity street lighting.

1.6.6.2 Means of illumination

Examples of means of illumination of signs are as follows:

- (a) A light within or behind the sign face, illuminating the main message or symbol, or the sign background or both, through a translucent material.
- (b) An attached or independently mounted light source in front of the sign, designed to direct adequate illumination over its entire face.

NOTE Stray light from such a source should not be allowed to become a glare source for traffic approaching from the opposite direction.

- (c) Electronic presentation of legend and other sign elements (signs prohibiting turns and speed limit signs are permitted to have a black background under this option).

1.6.6.3 Means of reflectorization

Reflectorization is achieved by using retroreflective materials conforming with AS/NZS 1906.1 and reflectorizing all elements of a sign except black.

Except in a few limited cases in the AS 1742 series where a performance Class from AS/NZS 1906.1 is specified for a particular sign or class of signs, the user selects an appropriate performance Class according to the sign location, positioning and any environmental or other relevant factors.

Advice on the selection and use of retroreflective sheeting is given in AS/NZS 1906.1.

1.7 Sign size

As indicated in [Clause 1.5.1\(d\)](#) most of the signs are provided in a range of sizes designated AA (smallest) up to A, B, C, D or E. Guidance in the selection of the size of sign for use in a particular location is given in the part of the Standard covering the use of the sign.

1.8 Non-standard signs

Authorities responsible for the erection of signs are not encouraged to develop signs for their own particular use. However, there will be instances where there is no suitable standard sign. In such cases, the sign developed should conform to the design requirements specified in this document for the particular sign classification, and with the requirements of [Clause 1.6.5](#) if use of symbols is proposed. If it is considered that the sign could be required by other authorities, contact should be made with Standards Australia, which constantly reviews road signs to ensure that the needs of road and traffic authorities and local government are met, and to minimize the proliferation of signs with differing designs of legend or symbol. Where an authority develops its own sign, it is recommended that it identifies the jurisdiction by its relevant prefix before the sign number. For example, in Victoria, a typical sign number could be "W3-V123".

1.9 Responsibility and authority for installation on public roads

Road users are required by law to comply with many of the signs included in this document. Moreover, in the various States and Territories, responsibility for installing traffic control devices is vested in a number of government and local government authorities, and the installation of new devices or interference with existing ones without authority may be an offence. Attention is drawn to the fact that it may be necessary to obtain the approval of the appropriate authority before installing any traffic control device. Approvals are required in most States for the installation or removal of certain regulatory signs and devices.

The placement of unauthorized traffic signs or devices on or adjacent to the road by a private or commercial organization without the authority of the controlling body causes distraction and lessens the effect of devices essential to the road user. The display of unofficial and non-essential devices should not be permitted.

1.10 Private roads

Certain private roads such as circulating roadways in large publicly accessed off-street car parks that are not administered by the road authority may be designated as roads on which relevant provisions in road traffic regulations are to apply. In such cases the approval for the use of signs and devices as set out in [Clause 1.9](#) will also apply.

Section 2 Regulatory signs

2.1 General

This Section covers standard regulatory signs. It lists the signs in numerical order in the sub-classifications listed below, sets out the overall dimensions of the various sizes of each sign and gives references to other Standards which specify the way the signs are to be used.

The sub-classifications and their relevant prefix and series coding are as follows:

R1	Movement series
R2	Direction series
R3	Pedestrian series
R4	Speed series
R5	Parking series
R6	Miscellaneous series
R7	Exclusive-use Lane series
R8	Bicycle/Pedestrian series
R9	Supplementary plates for general use

Detailed design specifications for signs are given in AS 1743.

2.2 Sign function

Regulatory signs inform road users of traffic laws or regulations which it would be an offence to disregard. They are normally placed at the point or beginning of section where the regulation applies.

Included in this classification are signs which indicate the end of a legal restriction imposed by a preceding regulatory sign, e.g. the END TRUCK AND BUS LOW GEAR AREA sign (R6-23).

2.3 Shape, colour and message

Most regulatory signs are rectangular with the long axis vertical and have black legend with or without red annulus and slash on white background. For those signs having a special need for easy identification, other shapes and colours are specified. The individual signs are illustrated in [Clause 2.4](#) in colours which approximate those specified in AS 1743.

Wherever practicable, use is made of symbols and arrows to —

- (a) assist in identification;
- (b) clarify the instruction; and
- (c) increase legibility.

Additional legend may be required on certain signs to restrict their application to particular periods and classes of traffic or to indicate the beginning or end of a special traffic lane. Wherever possible, the supplementary signs R7-2 to R7-5 and R9 Series should be used for this purpose. However, where a special inscription is needed, this should be shown in black below the main instructions on an enlarged sign or on a special supplementary white sign of the same width as the regulatory sign.

2.4 Index of regulatory signs

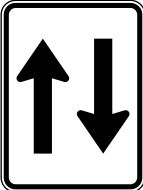
2.4.1 Movement series — R1

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	STOP	R1-1A R1-1B	600 × 600 750 × 750	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.7 AS 1742.13 AS 2890.1
	GIVE WAY	R1-2A R1-2B R1-2AA	750 height 900 height 375 height	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.3 AS 1742.7 AS 1742.13 AS 2890.1 AS 1742.9 only
	Roundabout	R1-3A R1-3B	750 height 900 height	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.13

^a Each sign in this table has a specific purpose and should not be used contrary to the principal references listed in each case.

2.4.2 Direction series — R2

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	ONE WAY (L illustrated)	R2-2A (L, R) R2-2B (L, R)	450 × 600 600 × 800	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.9 AS 1742.13
	KEEP LEFT, KEEP RIGHT	R2-3A (L, R) R2-3B (L, R) R2-3AA (L, R)	450 × 600 600 × 800 300 × 400	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.10 AS 1742.13 AS 1742.13 only
	NO ENTRY	R2-4A R2-4B R2-4C R2-4D R2-4AA	450 × 450 600 × 600 750 × 750 900 × 900 300 × 300	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.9 AS 1742.10 AS 1742.13 AS 1742.7 only

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	No U Turn	R2-5A R2-5B R2-5C R2-5D	450 × 450 600 × 600 750 × 750 900 × 900	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.14
 	No Left Turn, No Right Turn	R2-6A (L, R) R2-6B (L, R) R2-6C (L, R) R2-6D (L, R)	450 × 450 600 × 600 750 × 750 900 × 900	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.3 AS 1742.13 AS 1742.14
	No Turns	R2-7A R2-7B	450 × 600 600 × 800	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.9
 	LEFT LANE MUST TURN LEFT, RIGHT LANE MUST TURN RIGHT	R2-9A (L, R) R2-9B (L, R)	450 × 750 600 × 1000	AS 1742.2
	GIVE WAY TO PEDESTRIANS	R2-10	300 × 300 600 × 600	AS 1742.14
	Two-way	R2-11A R2-11B	450 × 600 600 × 800	AS 1742.2
	All Traffic Turn (L illustrated)	R2-14A (L, R) R2-14B (L, R)	600 × 800 900 × 1200	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.3 AS 1742.13
	U-TURN PERMITTED	R2-15A R2-15B	450 × 600 600 × 800	AS 1742.14

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	ONE WAY (Repeater)	R2-17A R2-17B R2-17C	450 × 800 600 × 1050 900 × 1600	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.9 AS 1742.13
	LEFT LANE MUST EXIT	R2-19	800 × 1200	AS 1742.2
	LEFT TURN ON RED PERMITTED AFTER STOPPING	R2-20	450 × 800	AS 1742.14
	Hook Turn Only	R2-21	800 × 1100	AS 1742.14
	NO HOOK TURN BY BICYCLES	R2-22	750 × 750	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.9

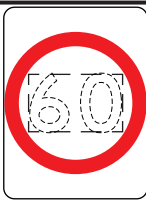
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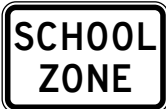
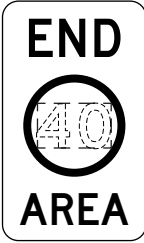
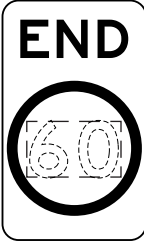
2.4.3 Pedestrian series — R3

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	Pedestrian Crossing (see Note 1)	R3-1A R3-1B R3-1C	600 dia. 750 dia. 900 dia.	AS 1742.10
	SAFETY ZONE (see Note 1)	R3-2A R3-2B	450 dia. 600 dia.	AS 1742.10

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	CHILDREN CROSSING (flag) (see Note 2)	R3-3	600 × 600	AS 1742.10
	CHILDREN CROSSING, WHEN LIGHTS FLASHING (40 illustrated)	R3-4A R3-4B	450 × 1200 600 × 1600	AS 1742.10
	Pedestrians May Cross Diagonally (L illustrated)	R3-5A (L, R) R3-5B (L, R)	90 × 110 300 × 400	AS 1742.14
^a Each sign in this table has a specific purpose and should not be used contrary to the principal references listed in each case. NOTE 1 The background of this sign is retroreflective fluorescent yellow-green. NOTE 2 The background of this flag is fluorescent orange.				

2.4.4 Speed series — R4

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	Speed Limit (60 illustrated)	R4-1A R4-1B R4-1C R4-1D	450 × 600 600 × 800 900 × 1200 1200 × 1600	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.3 AS 1742.4 AS 1742.10 AS 1742.13 AS 2890.1
	ROAD WORK	R4-3A R4-3B R4-3C	450 × 300 600 × 400 900 × 600	AS 1742.3
	SHARED ZONE (10 illustrated)	R4-4	450 × 750	AS 1742.4

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	END SHARED ZONE	R4-5	450 × 750	AS 1742.4
	SCHOOL ZONE	R4-8A R4-8B	450 × 300 600 × 400	AS 1742.4
	END SCHOOL ZONE	R4-9A R4-9B	450 × 450 600 × 600	AS 1742.4
	Speed Limit AREA (40 illustrated)	R4-10A R4-10B	450 × 750 600 × 1000	AS 1742.4
	END Speed Limit AREA (40 illustrated)	R4-11A R4-11B	450 × 750 600 × 1000	AS 1742.4
	END Speed Limit (60 illustrated)	R4-12B R4-12C	600 × 1000 800 × 1344	AS 1742.3 AS 1742.4
	Supplementary END Speed Limit AREA Midblock (40 illustrated)	R4-13A R4-13B	450 × 150 600 × 200	AS 1742.4
	Speed Limit AREA Reminder ('You are within a 40 AREA')	R4-14	450 × 750 600 × 1 000	AS 1742.4

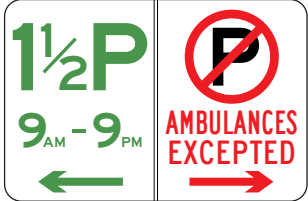
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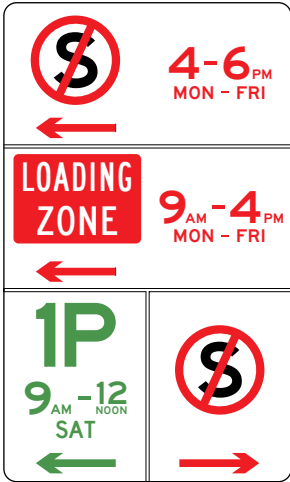
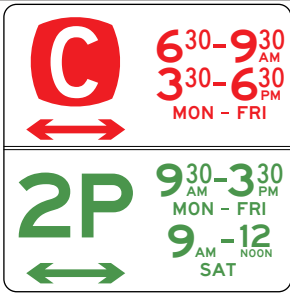
2.4.5 Parking series — R5

Linear parking control and the times that they apply vary so widely that linear parking control signs generally have to be designed individually. Many signs contain a number of separate control panels on the one sign board.

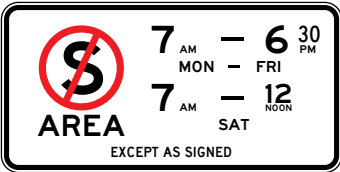
Sign numbers in the R5-1 to R5-46 Series are assigned to individual linear parking control panels in accordance with the type of control the panel indicates. Each number therefore covers a broad category of panels in a particular control type, within which there will be variation in respect of times of operation, methods of control, user limitations and the like. A full list of linear parking control panel sign numbers together with detailed sign design requirements are given in AS 1742.11.

The first nine of the following signs are examples illustrating the various types of control panel in both narrow and wide format, and the way in which single and multiple panel signs are designed.

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	Single panel — wide format (Parking with user limitations)	R5-10	450 × 225	AS 1742.11
	Single panel — narrow format (Minute parking)	R5-14	225 × 300	AS 1742.11
	Single panel — narrow format (Hour parking)	R5-16	225 × 300	AS 1742.11
	Multiple panel — narrow format in side-by-side arrangement	R5-17 R5-40	225 × 300 225 × 300	AS 1742.11
	Single panel — No Stopping	R5-35 R5-35B	225 × 300 450 × 600	AS 1742.10 AS 1742.11 AS 1742.2

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	Single panel — No Stopping with times of operation	R5-36	225 × 400	AS 1742.10 AS 1742.11
	Multiple panel — combination narrow and wide format (various restrictions)	R5-36 R5-23 R5-1 R5-35	450 × 225 450 × 225 225 × 300 225 × 300	AS 1742.11
	Multiple panel — wide format in vertical stack (Part-time Clearway)	R5-46 R5-2	450 × 225 450 × 225	AS 1742.11
	Multiple panel — narrow format in vertical stack (Part-time Clearway)	R5-46 R5-2	225 × 300 225 × 300	AS 1742.11

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	Multiple panel — narrow format in side-by-side arrangement	R5-1 R5-35	225 × 450 225 × 450	AS 1742.11
	Arrangement for two separate signs of different height — side-by-side	R5-1 R5-35	225 × 450 225 × 300	AS 1742.11
	Tow-away	R5-39A R5-39B	600 × 225 900 × 337	AS 1742.11
	CLEARWAY	R5-50A R5-50B	600 × 800 900 × 1200	AS 1742.11
	END Clearway	R5-51A R5-51B	600 × 600 900 × 900	AS 1742.11
	EMERGENCY STOPPING LANE ONLY (L illustrated)	R5-58 (L, R)	1500 × 1100	AS 1742.2
	Area Parking — Major Entry	R5-60A R5-60B	2000 × 1000 3000 × 1500	AS 1742.11

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	Area Parking — Minor Entry	R5-61A R5-61B	600 × 900 900 × 1350	AS 1742.11
	Area Parking — Internal	R5-62A R5-62B	450 × 800 600 × 1065	AS 1742.11
	Area Parking — End	R5-63A R5-63B	600 × 600 900 × 900	AS 1742.11
	AREA PARKING CONTROL AHEAD	R5-64A R5-64B	600 × 600 800 × 800	AS 1742.11
	PARK IN BAYS ONLY	R5-65A R5-65B	450 × 300 600 × 400	AS 1742.11
	No Stopping Area — Major Entry	R5-70A R5-70B	2000 × 1000 3000 × 1500	AS 1742.11
	No Stopping Area — Minor Entry	R5-71A R5-71B	600 × 800 900 × 1200	AS 1742.11
	No Stopping Area — Internal	R5-72A R5-72B	450 × 800 600 × 1065	AS 1742.11

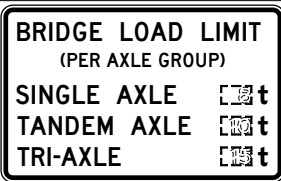
Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	No Stopping Area — End	R5-73A R5-73B	450 × 600 600 × 800	AS 1742.11
	No Parking Area— Major Entry	R5-80	2000 × 1000	AS 1742.11
	No Parking Area— Minor Entry	R5-81A R5-81B R5-81C	450 × 600 600 × 800 900 × 1200	AS 1742.11
	No Parking Area — Internal	R5-82A R5-82B	450 × 800 600 × 1065	AS 1742.11
	No Parking Area — End	R5-83A R5-83B	450 × 600 600 × 800	AS 1742.11
	EMERGENCY STOPPING BAY (L illustrated)	R5-85 (L, R)	1500 × 1100	AS 1742.2

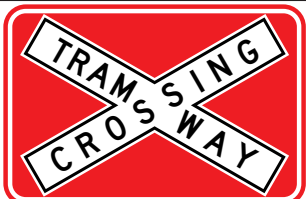
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2.4.6 Miscellaneous series — R6

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	NO OVERTAKING OR PASSING	R6-1A R6-1B	750 × 900 1200 × 1440	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.3

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	NO OVERTAKING ON BRIDGE	R6-2A R6-2B	750 × 900 1200 × 1440	AS 1742.2
	BRIDGE LOAD LIMIT x t GROSS (80 illustrated)	R6-3A R6-3B	600 × 900 900 × 1350	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.3
	GROSS LOAD LIMIT x t (80 illustrated)	R6-4A R6-4B	600 × 900 900 × 1350	AS 1742.2
	STOP HERE ON RED SIGNAL	R6-6A R6-6B	450 × 750 675 × 1125	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.3 AS 1742.14
	Hand STOP banner (Double sided) (see Note)	R6-7A R6-7B	450 dia. 600 dia.	AS 1742.10
	STOP/SLOW bat (STOP face)	R6-8A R6-8B	450 dia. 600 dia.	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.3
	STOP railway gate sign	R6-8C R6-8D	750 dia. 900 dia.	AS 1742.7
	STOP ON RED SIGNAL	R6-9	450 × 600	AS 1742.7

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	Buses Prohibited	R6-10-1A R6-10-1B R6-10-1C	600 × 600 900 × 900 1200 × 1200	AS 1742.12
	Trucks Prohibited	R6-10-2A R6-10-2B R6-10-2C	600 × 600 900 × 900 1200 × 1200	AS 1742.12
	Bicycles Prohibited (No bicycles)	R6-10-3A R6-10-3B R6-10-3C R6-10-3D	450 × 450 600 × 600 750 × 750 900 × 900	AS 1742.9 AS 1742.10
	LOW CLEARANCE x.x m (8.8 illustrated)	R6-11	1950 × 600	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.3 AS 2890.1
	CLEARANCE x.x m (3.3 illustrated)	R6-12	1500 × 600	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.3
	NO PEDESTRIANS, BICYCLES, ANIMALS BEYOND THIS POINT	R6-13	1200 × 1500	AS 1742.2
	STOP HERE ON RED ARROW	R6-14A R6-14B	450 × 750 675 × 1125	AS 1742.14
	Pedestrians Prohibited	R6-15A R6-15B	300 × 300 450 × 450	AS 1742.2
	LOW CLEARANCE x.x m (3.6 illustrated)	R6-16	1950 × 180	AS 2890.1
	BRIDGE LOAD LIMIT (PER AXLE GROUP) (8, 10 and 15 illustrated)	R6-17	1200 × 750	AS 1742.2

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	BUSES MUST ENTER	R6-18A R6-18B R6-18C	600 × 700 900 × 1050 1200 × 1400	AS 1742.2
	START FREEWAY	R6-19A R6-19B	1200 × 600 1800 × 900	AS 1742.2
	FREEWAY ENTRANCE	R6-20A R6-20B	1200 × 600 1800 × 900	AS 1742.2
	END FREEWAY	R6-21A R6-21B	900 × 450 1800 × 900	AS 1742.2
	TRUCKS AND BUSES MUST USE LOW GEAR	R6-22A R6-22B R6-22C	1200 × 1000 1400 × 1200 1800 × 1500	AS 1742.2
	END TRUCK AND BUS LOW GEAR AREA	R6-23A R6-23B	1000 × 800 1500 × 1200	AS 1742.2
	RAILWAY CROSSING position	R6-25	1350 × 900	AS 1742.7
	TRAMWAY CROSSING position	R6-26	1350 × 900	AS 1742.7

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	TRUCKS MUST ENTER	R6-27A R6-27B R6-27C	600 × 700 900 × 1050 1200 × 1400	AS 1742.2
	TRUCKS USE LEFT LANE	R6-28A R6-28B R6-28C	900 × 900 1200 × 1200 1800 × 1800	AS 1742.2
	KEPT LEFT UNLESS OVERTAKING	R6-29A R6-29B R6-29C	1200 × 600 1800 × 900 2400 × 1200	AS 1742.2
	MEDIAN TURNING LANE	R6-30A R6-30B	600 × 1200 900 × 1800	AS 1742.2
	GIVE WAY to Buses (vehicle mounted)	R6-31	450 × 450	AS 1742.2
	END KEEP LEFT UNLESS OVERTAKING	R6-32	1200 × 800	AS 1742.2
	OVERALL LENGTH LIMIT x m (26 illustrated)	R6-33A R6-33B	800 × 900 1200 × 1350	AS 1742.2

^a Each sign in this table has a specific purpose and should not be used contrary to the principal references listed in each case.

NOTE The background of this sign is retroreflective fluorescent orange, usually STOP on both sides.

2.4.7 Exclusive-use lane series — R7

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	Bus LANE	R7-1-1C R7-1-1D R7-1-1E	600 × 800 900 × 1200 1200 × 1600	AS 1742.12
	Truck LANE	R7-1-3C R7-1-3D R7-1-3E	600 × 800 900 × 1200 1200 × 1600	AS 1742.12
	Bicycle LANE	R7-1-4B R7-1-4C R7-1-4D	450 × 600 600 × 800 900 × 1200	AS 1742.9
	Tram LANE	R7-1-5C R7-1-5D R7-1-5E	600 × 800 900 × 1200 1200 × 1600	AS 1742.12
	Bus (other vehicle) LANE (Bicycle illustrated)	R7-1-6C R7-1-6D R7-1-6E	600 × 800 900 × 1200 1200 × 1600	AS 1742.12
	AHEAD	R7-2B R7-2C R7-2D R7-2E	450 × 150 600 × 200 900 × 300 1200 × 400	AS 1742.9 AS 1742.12
	LEFT LANE (RIGHT) LANE	R7-3B (L, R) R7-3C (L, R) R7-3D (L, R) R7-3E (L, R)	450 × 300 600 × 400 900 × 600 1200 × 800	AS 1742.12
	END	R7-4A R7-4B R7-4C R7-4D R7-4E	300 × 100 450 × 150 600 × 200 900 × 300 1200 × 400	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.9 AS 1742.12
	Overhead Arrow	R7-5B R7-5C R7-5D R7-5E	450 × 300 600 × 400 900 × 600 1200 × 800	AS 1742.9 AS 1742.12

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	LEFT LANE	R7-6-1(L)	1400 × 400	AS 1742.2
	RIGHT LANE	R7-6-1(R)	1400 × 400	AS 1742.2
	KERB LANE	R7-6-2	1400 × 400	AS 1742.2
	CENTRE LANE	R7-6-3	1600 × 400	AS 1742.2
	THIS LANE	R7-6-4	1600 × 400	AS 1742.2
	TRANSIT LANE T2	R7-7-1C R7-7-1D R7-7-1E	600 × 800 900 × 1200 1200 × 1600	AS 1742.12
	TRANSIT LANE T3	R7-7-2C R7-7-2D R7-7-2E	600 × 800 900 × 1200 1200 × 1600	AS 1742.12
	Bus ONLY	R7-8C R7-8D R7-8E	600 × 800 900 × 1200 1200 × 1600	AS 1742.12
	END T2 TRANSIT LANE	R7-9-1C R7-9-1D R7-9-1E	600 × 600 900 × 900 1200 × 1200	AS 1742.12
	END T3 TRANSIT LANE	R7-9-2C R7-9-2D R7-9-2E	600 × 600 900 × 900 1200 × 1200	AS 1742.12

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	Tram ONLY	R7-10C R7-10D R7-10E	600 × 800 900 × 1200 1200 × 1600	AS 1742.12
	Crossing arrow supplementary plate – both ways	R7-11-1C R7-11-1D R7-11-1E	600 × 200 900 × 300 1200 × 400	AS 1742.12
	Crossing arrow supplementary plate – one way left	R7-11-2C R7-11-2D R7-11-2E	600 × 200 900 × 300 1200 × 400	AS 1742.12
	Crossing arrow supplementary plate – one way right	R7-11-3C R7-11-3D R7-11-3E	600 × 200 900 × 300 1200 × 400	AS 1742.12
	x m AHEAD (300 illustrated)	R7-12C R7-12D R7-12E	600 × 400 900 × 600 1200 × 800	AS 1742.12

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2.4.8 Bicycle/pedestrian series — R8

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	Bicycle Path ONLY	R8-1A R8-1B R8-1C	300 × 400 450 × 600 600 × 800	AS 1742.9
	Shared Path	R8-2A R8-2B R8-2C	300 × 400 450 × 600 600 × 800	AS 1742.9
	Separated Path (L illustrated)	R8-3A (L, R) R8-3B (L, R) R8-3C (L, R)	300 × 300 450 × 450 600 × 600	AS 1742.9

^a Each sign in this table has a specific purpose and should not be used contrary to the principal references listed in each case.

2.4.9 Supplementary plates for general use — R9

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	Times of Operation — Single Period (Example times shown)	R9-1-1A R9-1-1B R9-1-1C R9-1-1D	450 × 300 600 × 400 900 × 600 1200 × 800	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.4 AS 1742.9 AS 1742.12 AS 1742.13 AS 1742.14
	Times of Operation — Two Periods (Example times shown)	R9-1-2A R9-1-2B R9-1-2C R9-1-2D	450 × 450 600 × 600 900 × 900 1200 × 1200	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.4 AS 1742.9 AS 1742.12 AS 1742.13 AS 1742.14
	AT ALL TIMES	R9-1-3B R9-1-3C R9-1-3D	600 × 400 900 × 600 1200 × 800	AS 1742.12
	BUSES EXCEPTED	R9-2A R9-2B R9-2C	450 × 300 600 × 400 750 × 500	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.10
	BICYCLES EXCEPTED	R9-3A R9-3B R9-3C	450 × 300 600 × 400 750 × 500	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.9 AS 1742.13
	BICYCLES EXCEPTED	R9-3D	1500 × 300	AS 1742.9
	AUTHORIZED VEHICLES EXCEPTED	R9-4A R9-4B R9-4C	450 × 300 600 × 400 750 × 500	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.10
	ON FREEWAY	R9-5C R9-5D	750 × 375 900 × 450	AS 1742.9
	NEXT x m (One line) (300 illustrated)	R9-6-1A R9-6-1B R9-6-1C	750 × 150 1000 × 200 1200 × 240	AS 1742.2
	NEXT x m (Two line) (80 illustrated)	R9-6-2A R9-6-2B R9-6-2C	450 × 300 600 × 400 750 × 500	AS 1742.2
	NEXT x km (One line) (10 illustrated)	R9-7-1A R9-7-1B R9-7-1C	750 × 150 1000 × 200 1200 × 240	AS 1742.2
	NEXT x km (Two line) (10 illustrated)	R9-7-2A R9-7-2B R9-7-2C	450 × 300 600 × 400 750 × 500	AS 1742.2
	AT (street name)	R9-8A R9-8B R9-8C	450 × 450 600 × 600 750 × 750	AS 1742.2

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	ONE LANE	R9-9A R9-9B	600 × 400 750 × 500	AS 1742.2
	OVER x t GVM sign (8.8 illustrated)	R9-10A R9-10B R9-10C	600 × 400 900 × 600 1200 × 800	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.12
	OVER x m LONG sign (5.1 illustrated)	R9-11A R9-11B R9-11C	600 × 400 900 × 600 1200 × 800	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.12
	OVER x m HIGH sign (4.2 illustrated)	R9-12A R9-12B R9-12C	600 × 400 900 × 600 1200 × 800	AS 1742.2
	OVER x m WIDE (2.5 illustrated)	R9-13A R9-13B R9-13C	600 × 400 900 × 600 1200 × 800	AS 1742.2
	ON BRIDGE	R9-15A R9-15B R9-15C	450 × 300 600 × 400 900 × 600	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.4
	SERVICE ROAD	R9-16A R9-16B	450 × 300 600 × 400	AS 1742.4
	ON RAMP	R9-17B R9-17C	600 × 400 900 × 600	AS 1742.4

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Section 3 Warning signs

3.1 General

This Section covers standard warning signs. It lists the signs in numerical order in the sub-classifications listed below, sets out the overall dimensions of the various sizes of each sign and gives the references to other Standards which specify the way the signs are to be used in particular traffic situations.

The sub-classifications and the prefix and series number relevant to each are as follows:

W1	Alignment series
W2	Intersection series
W3	Advance warning of traffic control device series
W4	Road width, low and narrow clearance series
W5	Road obstacle series
W6	Pedestrian, bicycle and school series
W7	Railway crossing series
W8	Supplementary plate series
W9	Modified intersection series

Detailed design specifications for signs are given in AS 1743.

Listed with each sign are the sizes A, B, C and D usually used for that sign. Although not listed in every case, the D size, 1200 mm × 1200 mm, may be used for any warning sign where an especially large sign is warranted.

3.2 Sign function

Warning signs are used to warn road users of potentially hazardous conditions on or adjacent to the road. Warning signs advise of conditions which require caution and may call for a reduction in speed in the interest of the safety of road users.

3.3 Shape, colour and message

In general, warning signs are diamond shaped (square with one diagonal vertical) with a black legend or symbol, or both, and a black border on a yellow reflectorized background. Exceptions to this general rule occur in [Clauses 3.4.1](#), [3.4.7](#) and [3.4.8](#). The shape coding does not apply to temporary signs (see [Section 5](#)).

The W8 series signs are used in conjunction with other signs in the Warning Series to supplement and clarify the message conveyed and are generally rectangular. The size used should correspond with the size code A, B, C or D of the parent sign.

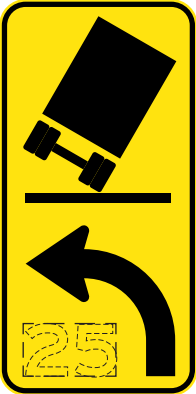
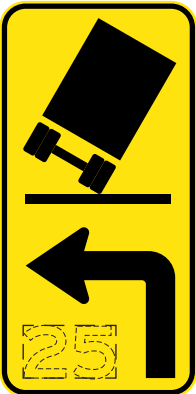
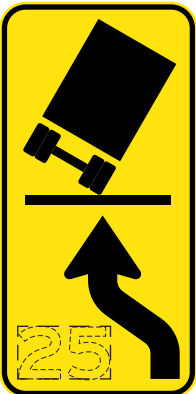
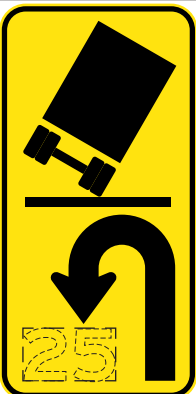
The signs are illustrated in this Section in colours which approximate those specified in AS 1743.

Certain signs in the W6 and W8 series relating to pedestrian and child safety have a retroreflective fluorescent yellow-green background.

3.4 Index of warning signs

3.4.1 Alignment series — W1

Sign	Name	Sign No.	Size mm	Principal references ^a
	Turn (L illustrated)	W1-1A (L, R) W1-1B (L, R) W1-1C (L, R) W1-1D (L, R)	600 × 600 750 × 750 900 × 900 1200 × 1200	AS 1742.2 AS 1742.13
	Reverse Turn (L illustrated)	W1-2A (L, R) W1-2B (L, R) W1-2C (L, R) W1-2D (L, R)	600 × 600 750 × 750 900 × 900 1200 × 1200	AS 1742.2
	Curve (L illustrated)	W1-3A (L, R) W1-3B (L, R) W1-3C (L, R) W1-3D (L, R)	600 × 600 750 × 750 900 × 900 1200 × 1200	AS 1742.2
	Reverse Curve (L illustrated)	W1-4A (L, R) W1-4B (L, R) W1-4C (L, R) W1-4D (L, R)	600 × 600 750 × 750 900 × 900 1200 × 1200	AS 1742.2
	Winding Road (L illustrated)	W1-5A (L, R) W1-5B (L, R) W1-5C (L, R) W1-5D (L, R)	600 × 600 750 × 750 900 × 900 1200 × 1200	AS 1742.2
	Hairpin Bend (L illustrated)	W1-7A (L, R) W1-7B (L, R) W1-7C (L, R) W1-7D (L, R)	600 × 600 750 × 750 900 × 900 1200 × 1200	AS 1742.2

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	Tilting Truck with curve symbol (L, 25 illustrated)	W1-8-2 (L, R) (Previously W1-8)	1500 × 3000	AS 1742.2
	Tilting Truck with turn symbol (L, 25 illustrated)	W1-8-3(L, R)	1500 × 3000	AS 1742.2
	Tilting Truck with reverse curve symbol (L, 25 illustrated)	W1-8-4(L, R)	1500 × 3000	AS 1742.2
	Tilting Truck with hairpin bend symbol (L, 25 illustrated)	W1-8-5(L, R)	1500 × 3000	AS 1742.2

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	EXIT SPEED x km/h with curve symbol (L, 65 illustrated)	W1-9-2 (L, R)	1400 × 2400	AS 1742.2
	EXIT SPEED x km/h with turn symbol (L, 65 illustrated)	W1-9-3 (L, R)	1400 × 2400	AS 1742.2
	EXIT SPEED x km/h with reverse curve symbol (R, 65 illustrated)	W1-9-4 (L, R)	1400 × 2400	AS 1742.2
	EXIT SPEED x km/h with hairpin bend symbol (L, 65 illustrated)	W1-9-5 (L, R)	1400 × 2400	AS 1742.2