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Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Start Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Finish Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Foreman/Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

## Topic 60: Identifying and Obeying Traffic Signs

**Introduction:** Traffic signs regulate traffic and provide important information. The shape of a traffic sign can give you as much information about the meaning of a sign as the sign's color or words. When visibility is poor, as in heavy rain, low light, or fog, you may be able to make out only the shape of a particular sign. It is necessary for drivers to know the meaning and shapes of signs, and that drivers obey the directions traffic signs give.

**General shape description and meaning roadway signs are as follows:**

### Regulatory Signs

**Rectangular signs** - These signs regulate traffic and direct the driver's speed and direction:



No Right Turn

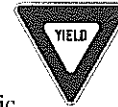
No "U" Turn

Turn Left or Go Straight

**Octagon** (eight sides) – This shape is reserved for stop signs. You must come to a complete stop.

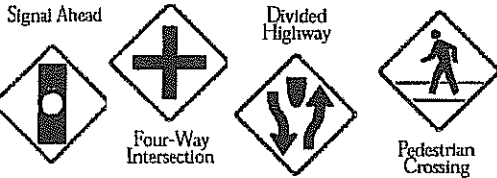


**Triangle pointing down** – This shape requires that you yield the right-of-way to cross traffic or to merging traffic



### Warning Signs

**Diamond** – These signs are yellow and warn of a possible danger ahead:



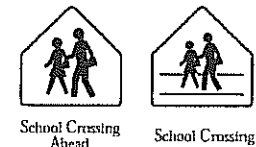
**Railroad warning sign** – A circle shaped sign provides a warning that you are approaching a railroad crossing:  
Do not cross the tracks until all signals have stopped and the crossing gate is all the way up.  
Do not drive around or under a gate that is lowered.



**Pennant** – This sign marks the beginning of a no passing zone:



**School crossing signs** – This five-sided shape marks a school crossing. The speed limit is always 15mph approaching a marked school crossing



**Railroad crossing sign** – This sign marks the location of a railroad crossing. You must stop no closer than 15 ft. from the nearest track when you observe any of the following: flashing red lights, lowered crossing gate, ringing bells, or flagger warning of an approaching train.



**Guide Signs** – These signs are posted to identify the route you are currently driving on:

**Mile posts** – These show the mileage of the roadway and can be used for location in case of an emergency:



Interstate Route Marker



U.S. Route Marker



State Route Marker

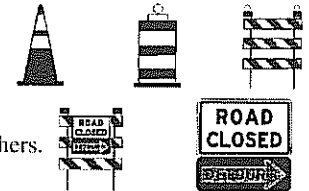
**Roadway Construction Warning Devices** – Alerting and controlling devices are used in road construction and maintenance to direct drivers or pedestrians safely, as well as to protect the safety of highway workers. These devices are colored orange and are used as follows:

**Diamond shape construction signs and Maintenance** used to notify drivers of possible danger in or near work areas:



### Cones, Drums, and Barricades

These devices are used to alert you and guide you safely through the work areas:



**Conclusion:** Traffic signs are posted for your safety and to provide directions. Obeying regulatory signs and roadway construction signs is the law and violators will not only be subject to legal penalties, but also endanger themselves and others.

## Work Site Review

Work-Site Hazards and Safety Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_

Personnel Safety Violations: \_\_\_\_\_

**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 job-related injury or illness.)

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City of San Angelo Foreman/Supervisor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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