

## Sub-part 7601 – Traffic Engineering Division

### Chapter 00400 Directional Signing Policy for General Traffic Generators and Attractions

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#### General policies for general traffic generators and attraction signing on interstate and fully-controlled access facilities

200 Only facilities that adequately serve the needs of the interstate motorists will be signed.

201 Facilities must be within 15 mile, except for major traffic generators, of the terminal of the nearest off-ramp as outlined in Categories I, II, and III.

#### General policies for general traffic generators and attraction signing for other highways

300 Signs will be installed no farther than the nearest major access highway serving the entrance to the facility.

#### General policies for general traffic generators and attraction signing for all highways

400 Signs shall conform to the design and location requirements in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

401 Priority for inclusion on directional signs will be given as follows: Cities, Towns, and Road or Street names will be given first priority. Other destinations as allowed under this Rule will be given priority on a first-come first-serve basis. In the event several legitimate requests are made, priority will be given to the facility generating the largest volume of traffic. (Road or street name signs are not installed by the Department of Transportation except on interstate and controlled-access facilities.)

402 The addition of this type signing will not increase the total number of destinations shown at an interchange to more than four.

- 403 Directional signs for attractions will not be considered when other directional signs exist adequately identifying the direction to the facility.
- 404 Necessary trailblazing signs must be in place from the highway to the facility before directional signs are placed on the highway.
- 405 Only the main facility or attraction will be considered for signing. Areas, attractions, or facilities within the main facility will not be considered except for allowable service signing.
- 406 Connecting roads from the state highway to the facility must be adequate to handle all types of anticipated vehicles under all weather conditions.
- 407 Approval must be obtained from the maintaining authority before directing traffic from the state highway over the connecting road to the facility.
- 408 If after installation of directional signs it is found that the criteria outlined are not being met, notification will be given to the owner or representative of the facility and reasonable time will be allowed for the deficiencies to be corrected. If after that time the criteria are still not met, then the state-installed directional signs will be removed.
- 409 Where attractions are extremely seasonal, such as fairgrounds, the signs will be placed only when the attraction is active. At other times, the signs will be removed.
- 410 Sites for the Mississippi Code are available at [www.state.ms.us](http://www.state.ms.us) and MUTCD information is available at [mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov](http://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov). Any other publications may be viewed during regular business hours at the MDOT Administration Building.