Where to find more on Maryland

Standards

The Maryland Manual
The Maryland Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devic- es (Maryland MUTCD) is the major component of the man-
ual and specifications for traffic control devices used throughout Maryland. It is the combined document of the national set of traffic control devices standards and the Maryland-specific guidelines. The Maryland MUTCD is
available online at http://www.roads.maryland.gov.

Maryland Standard Sign Book
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Professional Assistance
While SHA engineers will be pleased to respond to your
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ed by a professional traffic engineering firm, a listing of
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Provide Safety
for Your Visitors/Customer

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on your property,
you must conform
to Maryland signs,
pavement marking
and traffic signal standards.
It’s the Law.

Uniform Traffic Control Devices
improve safety, reduce liability

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owners and managers to use Uniform Traffic Control
Devices on properties used by the public. The includes,
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• shopping centers
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It improves vehicular and pedestrian safety. According to National Safety Council statistics,
substantial traffic accident fatalities occur on private
roadways. Uniform Traffic Control Devices reduce the
risk of missed directions and accidents.

It reduces the risk of
being sued. Complying with Maryland law reduces the
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Signs
Sign sizes, placement, colors and shapes are outlined in the Maryland Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices and the Maryland Standard Sign Book (see “Where to find more on Maryland Standards” section).

Pavement Markings
Correct pavement markings, which guide traffic flow, can be found in the Maryland Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (see “Where to find more on Maryland Standards” section).

Uniform Traffic Control Devices in Maryland
There are many types of signs and pavement markings used on roadways and in parking lots. The following are the most frequently used:

**LANE LINE**
Lane lines between medians, kept in the same direction must be white.

**CROSSWALK**
Crosswalks must be white.

**CENTER LINE**
Center line between traffic in opposing directions must be yellow.

**ARROWS**
Arrows on the pavement must be white. Turn arrows may require signage.

**PARKING SPACE**
Parking space design must be white.

**HANDICAP SPACES**
Handicap space markings must be white, may have a blue background.