

City of Saint Paul Department of Public Works
Policy on Temporary Traffic Control Device Removal
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Background:

Temporary traffic control (TTC) devices are needed for the protection of worker safety in the work zone as well as the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of those using the roadway. Following the excavation and restoration of a roadway work zone, it is important that all non-pertinent traffic control devices be removed from the work site and/or placed such that the roadway user does not interpret the sign as being "active". In years past, it has been a recurring problem to have TTC devices that are no longer needed for work site safety removed from the site. For this reason, the Public Works Department for the City of St. Paul has created the following policy to provide guidance relative TTC device removal.

Policy:

- All TTC device(s) not needed to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the roadway user, shall be removed from the work site immediately, when possible, prior to opening the roadway to traffic. These devices also include sandbags or other weighted measures used to secure temporary traffic control devices and also any catch basin or other illicit discharge inlet protection structures used to protect the worksite.
- In the event that temporary traffic control devices cannot be picked up immediately, temporary storage of TTC device(s) determined to no longer be needed shall be allowed provided that the location of the temporary storage is a) outside the vehicle travel zone, b) placed such the roadway user cannot interpret the device(s) as active and c) the device(s) do not intrude upon the Pedestrian Access Route (PAR). The duration of any temporary device storage shall be no more than 48 hours following the opening of the roadway to traffic.
- Should TTC device(s) no longer applicable to the work site not be removed from the site or from the temporary storage location within 48 hours, the City reserves the right to remove the device(s) and charge the contractor for the cost of removal as well as storage.
- Striping restoration shall be completed immediately following final pavement restoration. If striping restoration cannot be completed immediately following final pavement restoration and it has been determined by the City's ROW Inspector that TTC device(s) are needed to protect the health, safety and welfare of the roadway user, the Contractor shall leave in-place at no cost to the City any necessary TTC device(s) requested by the Inspector.

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