

Chapter Hy 17

RAILROAD CROSSING ADVANCE WARNING SIGNS

Hy 17.01 General

Hy 17.02 Detailed design of Railroad Crossing Advance Warning sign

History: Chapter Hy 17 as it existed on August 31, 1962 was repealed and a new chapter Hy 17 was created effective September 1, 1962.

Hy 17.01 General. (1) **AUTHORITY FOR THESE RULES.** Pursuant to authority contained in section 192.48(2), Wis. Stats., the commission prescribes these rules relating to the design of Railroad Crossing Advance Warning signs. These rules have been approved by the public service commission.

(2) **PERMISSIVE INTERIM STANDARDS.** Signs which comply with chapter Hy 17, as published in the Wisconsin Administrative Register for January, 1956, and which are erected before July 1, 1963, may be used until their replacement is necessary because of material failure, knockdown or other cause, but when replacement becomes necessary, they shall be replaced with signs conforming to these rules.

(3) **MINOR VARIATIONS IN SIGN DESIGN.** These signs shall conform to the detailed design specifications given herein. Minor variations in the size, stroke and shape of letters, border and symbol, and the size of signs are permitted.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1962, No. 80, eff. 9-1-62.

Hy 17.02 Detailed design of Railroad Crossing Advance Warning sign. (1) **SHAPE.** A Railroad Crossing Advance Warning sign shall be circular in shape.

(2) **SIZE.** The minimum size Railroad Crossing Advance Warning sign shall have a diameter of 30 inches. The standard size sign shall have a diameter of 36 inches. Signs smaller than the standard size may be used only on highways which are not state trunk highways, county trunk highways, connecting streets or federal aid highways and which have only one lane for traffic in each direction and have a speed limit of 35 miles per hour or less.

(3) **COLORS.** This sign shall have black letters, symbol and border on a reflectorized yellow background.

(4) **LETTERING.** The letters "R-R" shall be 8 inches high, with a stroke of 1-3/8 inches on the standard sign, and a height of 7 inches and stroke of 1 1/4 inches on the minimum diameter sign.

(5) **SYMBOL.** The symbol shall be a diagonal cross consisting of two black bands each 3 3/4 inches in width on the standard size sign at right angles to each other and 45 degrees to the vertical, with a letter "R" in the right and left quadrants. On a 30-inch diameter sign the width of the black bands shall be 3 inches.

(6) **SIGN LARGER THAN STANDARD.** On signs larger than the standard size, the dimensions of the letters, symbol and border shall be increased in proportion to the increase in sign diameter.

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