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**DECLARATION OF POLICY**

In order to prevent unreasonable distraction of operators of motor vehicles, to prevent confusion with respect to compliance with traffic lights, *signs*, signals and regulations, to promote safety, convenience, and enjoyment of travel upon highways within this State and to protect the public investment therein, to preserve and enhance the natural scenic beauty or aesthetic features of the highways and adjacent areas, and in the general welfare of the people of this State, the general assembly declared it to be the policy of this State that the erection and maintenances of outdoor advertising in areas adjacent to the rights-of-way of the interstate, *primary*, *secondary* road systems within the State shall be regulated in accordance with the terms of the RIGL 24-10.1 “et al” and the regulations promulgated by the Director of Transportation pursuant thereto and finds that all outdoor advertising which does not conform to the requirements of the RIGL and these *Rules and Regulations* is a public nuisance. Note: No new outdoor advertising structures may be erected except as provided in the state statute [RIGL 24-10.1]

**JURISDICTION**

The Rhode Island Department of Transportation shall have the legal jurisdiction to enforce the Federal Law, State Law, and the *Rules and Regulations* for Outdoor Advertising upon the identified *state-ways* [See Exhibit A and Exhibit A1]. Furthermore any future routes or additions thereto, added to the highway system inventory will also come under the *Department’s* jurisdiction.

**I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of these *Rules and Regulations* is to control the erection and maintenance of *outdoor advertising signs* in accordance with the following Statutory and Regulatory empowerments:

- The United States Constitution
- The Rhode Island Constitution
- 23 United States Code (23 USC 131)
- 23 Code of Federal Regulations 750 (23 CFR 750)
- General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended, included but not limited to Chapter 24-10.1
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1958 (P.L. 85-381 the Bonus Act)
- Agreement for Carrying Out the National Policy Relative to Advertising Adjacent to the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways (1963) (Bonus Act)
- Amended Agreement for Carrying Out the National Policy Relative to Control of Advertising in Areas Adjacent to the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways and the Federal-Aid Primary System (1972) (Bonus Act)
- Highway Beautification Act of 1965, as amended (P.L. 89-285)
- Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (P.L. 102-240)
- National Environmental Policy Act
- National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106
- RIDOT Rules Regarding the Use of Highways, *Freeways*, Bridges and Structures
- RIDOT *Rules and Regulations* for Accommodating Utility Facilities Within Railroad Rights-of-Way

- RIDOT *Rules and Regulations* for Accommodating Utility Facilities Within *Freeway* Rights-of-Way
- RIDOT *Rules and Regulations* Relating to Highways and Outdoor Advertising
- Telecommunication Act of 1996
- Transportation Equity Act of 1998

## II. APPLICATION

These *Rules and Regulations* are applicable to all areas *visible* from the *state-way* in the State, as designated by the General Assembly. These provisions apply regardless of whether Federal funds participated in the cost of such *state-ways*. Nothing contained in these *Rules and Regulations* shall prohibit a *municipality* from establishing regulations imposing stricter limitations. Where a sign is erected with the purpose of its message being read from two or more highways, one or more of which is a controlled highway, the more stringent of applicable control requirements will apply.

## III. DEFINITIONS [All italicized terms or words throughout this document refer to definitions found in this Section]

1. Billboard means a *panel* designed to carry outdoor advertising. *Billboards* are considered to be personal property by the *Department* and all municipal governments in the State of Rhode Island.
2. Commercial or industrial activities, for the purposes of the *unzoned area* definition, mean those activities generally recognized as *commercial or industrial* by zoning authorities in this State, except that none of the following shall be considered *commercial or industrial*:
  1. Agricultural, forestry, ranching, grazing, farming, and related activities, including, but not limited to wayside fresh produce stands.
  2. Transient or temporary activities.
  3. Activities not *visible* from the *state-way*.
  4. Activities more than 300 feet from the nearest edge of the *state-way*.
  5. Railroad tracks and minor sidings
  6. Activities normally and regularly in operation less than 5 months per year.
  7. Activities conducted in a building principally used as a residence.
3. Commercial or industrial zone means areas, which were zoned industrial or commercial, under authority of the law as of September 21, 1959, and any newly developed commercial or industrial areas set forth by City or Town Planning Authorities.
4. Controlled area means:
  1. In an *urban area*, those areas adjacent to, and within 660 feet of, the edge of the *right-of-way* of the *state-way*.

2. Outside an *urban area*, those areas adjacent to the edge of the *right-of-way* of the Interstate and Federal-Aid *primary* and *secondary highway systems* and *visible* from the *state-way*.
5. Controlled Routes means: The Federal-aid *primary* system in existence on June 1, 1991, and any highway which is not on such a system, but which is on the National Highway System.
6. Department means the Department of Transportation of the State of Rhode Island.
7. Designated Scenic Roadways are any State Roadways that have been designated a “Rhode Island Scenic Roadway” by the Rhode Island Scenic Roadway Board, under the current Rhode Island legislation for Scenic Roadways.
8. Directional and *official signs and notices* include only *official signs and notices*, *public utility signs*, *service clubs and religious notices*, *public service signs*, *agricultural signs*, and *directional signs*.
9. Directional Signs means *signs* containing *directional* information about public places owned or operated by Federal, State, or Local governments or their agencies; publicly or privately owned natural phenomena, historic, agricultural, cultural, scientific, educational, and religious sites; and areas of natural scenic beauty or naturally suited for outdoor recreation, including bicycle paths, and state-owned railroad corridors deemed to be in the interest of the public.
10. Double Panel Signs means two [2] *signs* side by side facing the same direction no more than five [5] feet apart.
11. Erect means to construct, build, raise, assemble, place, affix, attach, create, paint, draw, or in any other way bring into being or establish, but it shall not include any of the foregoing activities when performed as an incident to the change of advertising message or customary maintenance or repair of a *sign* or *sign structure*.
12. Erected with the purpose of its message being read means any *sign* that is *visible* from the *state-way*.
13. Freeway means a way especially designed for through traffic over which abutters have no easement or right of light, air, or access by reason of the fact that their property abuts upon the way.
14. Illegal sign means a *sign erected* or *maintained* in violation of the Federal Law, State Law, State *Rules and Regulations*, local law or ordinance.
15. Immediate vicinity means the area bounded by the buildings, driveways and parking areas where the *sign* is located, in which the principal activity is conducted and is within 50 feet of the activity.
16. Information center means an area or site established and *maintained* as *safety rest areas* for the purpose of informing the public of places of interest within the state and providing such other information as the Director of Transportation may consider desirable.

17. Interchange means a system of interconnecting roadways in conjunction with one or more grade separations that provides for the movement of traffic between two or more roadways or highways on different levels. *Interchanges* may be of various types or a combination of types as set forth in “A Policy on Geometric Design of Highways and Streets” 1984, published by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, as may be amended, which is incorporated by reference.
18. Interstate System means that a portion of the national system of interstate and defense highways located within this State, or highways built to interstate or defense highway standards [See Exhibit A1], as officially designated, or as may hereafter be so designated, by the Director of Transportation, and approved pursuant to the provisions of Title 23, United States Code, Highways.
19. Maintain means to allow to exist, or keep in repair.
20. Major official guide sign means a sign with a total area of not less than 12 square feet, erected and authorized by the State or Federal Government to designate route numbers or route names, distances and directions to certain localities or municipalities.
21. Municipality means a city or town in the State of Rhode Island.
22. Non-Conforming signs [grandfathered] are those *signs* which were lawfully *erected*, but which do not comply with the provisions of subsequent State law or *rules and regulations* or which later fail to comply with State law or *rules and regulations* due to changed conditions.
23. Official signs and notices means *signs* and notices *erected* and *maintained* by public officers or public agencies within their territorial or zoning jurisdiction and pursuant to and in accordance with direction or authorizations contained in Federal, State, or local law for the purposes of carrying out an official duty or responsibility. Historical markers authorized by State law and *erected* by State or local government or nonprofit historical societies may be considered official *signs*.
24. On-Premise Advertising Sign means a *sign* at a business location advertising a business or businesses that are conducted on the property [the principal activity], or *signs* advertising the sale or lease of the real property upon which they are located, subject to the requirements of Section VII.
25. Outdoor Advertising Sign means advertising *signs*, displays, and devices in adjacent areas consistent with the terms of these *Rules and Regulations*, the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1958 [P.L. 85-381], and the Highway Beautification Act of 1965, as amended [P.L. 85-381], and any and all subsequent amendments and laws. Any outdoor *sign*, device, figure, painting, drawing, message, notices, placard, poster, *billboard*, *billboard structure*, *monopole structure*, letter board, or other thing which is designed, including lighting, intended or used to advertise or inform, any part of the advertising or informative contents of which is *visible* from any place on the *state-way* or the Interstate, *Primary* or *Secondary Systems*.
26. Panel means a flat piece of material, usually rectangular, made to form part of a sunken or raised surface set in a frame for the sole purpose of advertising, or any other shaped surface and/or structure [i.e., Digital Display, Trivision, other type of Commercial Electronic Changeable Message Sign (CEVMS), etc.] approved by the *Department*.

27. Permit means a revocable certificate issuing permission by the *Department* authorizing the erection and maintenance of a *sign* at the location described thereon for a twelve [12] month period **beginning from the date of issuance**. The issuance of an outdoor advertising *permit* does not supersede municipal or other agency *sign* requirements or restrictions. Permits are not chattel.
28. Permit Holder means any *person* holding a valid and unrevoked outdoor advertising *permit*. *Permit holders* must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the *Department* that they have legal control of the real property [i.e., footprint] where the *sign* is located and legal control of the *sign*.
29. Person means any individual, group, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, association, any public entity, as the context may require, or combination thereof.
30. Primary means that portion of connected main highways, as officially designated, or as may hereafter be so designated, by the Director of Transportation, and approved by the U.S. Secretary of Transportation, pursuant to the provisions of Title 23, United States Code entitled, "Highways."
31. Public Service signs means *signs* located on bus stop shelters, which *sign*:
1. Identify the donor, sponsor, or contributor of said shelters;
  2. Contain safety slogans or messages, which shall occupy not less than fifty percent [50%] of the area of the *sign*;
  3. Contain no other message;
  4. Are located on bus shelters which are authorized or approved by city, county, or State law, regulation, or ordinance, and at places approved by the city, county or State agency controlling the *state-way* involved; and must be located on a designated, active transit system.
  5. May not exceed 32 square feet in area. Not more than one *sign* on each shelter shall face in any one direction
32. Public utility signs means warning *signs*, informational *signs*, notices, or markers, which are customarily *erected* and *maintained* by publicly or privately owned public utilities, as essential to their operations.
33. Replacement Costs are based on a mixture of *signs* in each category with different components such as backbracing, aprons, scaffolds, and differing heights above ground level. The basic *structure* cost figure will thus apply whether or not the *sign* being valued has any (or all) of the above-mentioned features. Additives for such items as incandescent lighting, mercury vapor lights, quartz floodlights, unusual features, or differing heights above ground level over eleven (11) feet, should be made when appropriate and the costs are verified by the *Department's* Appraisal Unit.
34. Right-of-Way means the easement in or property acquired by the public through the *Department* of Transportation, for the purposes of highway construction, *safety rest areas*, landscaping or any other purpose incidental to highway travel or highway use.
35. Rules and Regulations means the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, Rhode Island *Department* of Transportation, Outdoor Advertising *Rules and Regulations*.



36. Safety Rest Area means an area or site established and *maintained* within or adjacent to the *right-of-way* by or under public supervision or control, for the convenience of the traveling public. No advertising of any form will be allowed and is strictly prohibited within *Safety Rest Areas* unless previously reviewed and approved by the Director of the *Department* of Transportation.
37. State-way: for the purpose of this document when the term “*State-way*” appears it means the following: an interstate, a road, highway, route, traveled way, *interchange*, *primary*, Federal-aid *primary* or secondary system, designated scenic roadway and arterials [see Exhibits A and A1].
38. Secondary Systems means that portion of state *maintained* roads that are neither interstate nor *primary* roads.
39. Service club and religious notices means *signs* and notices, whose erection is authorized by law, relating to meetings of nonprofit service clubs or charitable associations, or religious services, which *signs* do not exceed 8 square feet in area.
40. Sign for the purpose of this document, when the term “*sign*” or “*signs*” appears it means the following: a display as a lettered board, a posted command, warning, or direction, including messages utilizing new technologies such as Trivision or equivalent technologies such as CMS, Digital LED, Video LED, Price Pack [changed by satellite or other], Lottery [changed by satellite or other], Electronic Water Art, Holographic, Projectorized, Gas Plasma, or other changeable messages as approved by the *Department* of Transportation, and if and when necessary the Federal Highway Administration, any outdoor advertising *sign*, device, figure, painting, drawing, message, notices, placard, poster, *billboard*, *billboard structure*, monopole structure, letter board, or other thing which is designed, including lighting, intended or used to advertise or inform, any part of the advertising or informative contents of which is visible from any place on the *state-way* of the Interstate or *primary* system, or *secondary system*.
41. Structure: means any device, engineered or not which provides support for *panels* that provide an advertising message, including but not limited to monopoles, multipoles, or any other thing used to provide support.
42. Unzoned commercial or industrial area means those areas not zoned by State or local law, regulation or ordinance, which are occupied by one or more industrial or *commercial activities*, other than *outdoor advertising signs*, and the lands along the *state-way* for a distance of 500 consecutive feet immediately adjacent to the activities. All measurements shall be from the outer edges of the regularly used buildings, parking lots, storage or processing areas of the activities, not from the property lines of the activities, and shall be along or parallel to the edge of pavement of the *state-way*. Measurements shall not be from the property lines of the activities unless said property lines coincide with the limits of the activities. Unzoned industrial or commercial areas shall not include land predominately used for residential purposes, or land adjacent to Interstate or *primary* highway constructed on *right-of-way*, the entire width of which was acquired subsequent to the Federal Aid Highway Act of July 1, 1956. In addition, “spot or strip zoning,” will not be considered as a commercial or an industrial area.
43. Urban Area means an urbanized area or an urban place as designated by the Bureau of the Census having a population of five thousand or more and not within any urbanized area, which boundaries to be fixed by the Office of Statewide Planning, subject to approval by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation. Such boundaries shall be as a minimum, encompass the entire urban place designated by the Bureau of the Census. *Urbanized area* means an area so



designated by the Bureau of the Census, within boundaries to be fixed by the Office of Statewide Planning, subject to approval by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation. Such boundaries shall, as a minimum, encompass the entire *urbanized area* within the State as designated by the Bureau of the Census.

44. *Visible* means capable of being seen, discovered, or perceived [whether or not legible] without visual aid by a *person* of normal visual acuity.

#### **IV SIGNS OUTSIDE URBAN AREAS**

The following *signs* shall be allowed outside *urban areas*. Outside *urban areas* means those areas outside the definition of “*Urban Area*” in “Section III – Definitions” of these *Rules and Regulations*, and depicted on “Exhibit C” attached.

- A. *Directional* and other official *signs*.
- B. *Signs* in areas, which were zoned commercial or industrial under authority of law as of the institution of the Bonus Act [see “Exhibit A”] on September 21, 1959. However, *signs* that are more than 660 feet from the edge of the *right-of-way*, and *erected* with the purpose of their message being read from the main-traveled way are prohibited.
- C. *Signs* located in *unzoned commercial or industrial areas* as defined in Section III. However *signs*, which are more than 660 feet from the edge of the *right-of-way*, and *erected* with the purpose of their message being read from the main-traveled way are prohibited.
- D. *Signs* lawfully in existence on October 22, 1965 [the institution of the Highway Beautification Act], determined by the Director of the *Department*, subject to the concurrence of the U.S. Secretary of Transportation, to be landmark *signs*, including *signs* on farm *structures* or natural surfaces, of historic or artistic significance the preservation of which would be consistent with the purposes of these regulations. There exist no landmark *signs* outside *urban areas* in the State of Rhode Island.
- E. Any and all types of *signs* not listed above are hereby prohibited outside *urban areas*.

#### **V. GENERAL REGULATIONS**

The following *Rules and Regulations* shall apply to all legally conforming and legally *non-conforming signs*:

- A. *Signs* shall not be *erected* or *maintained* or altered in such a manner as to obscure or otherwise physically interfere with an official traffic *sign*, signal or device, or to obstruct or physically interfere with the driver’s view of approaching, merging, or intersecting traffic.
- B. *Signs* shall not be *erected* or *maintained* which imitate or resemble official traffic *signs*, signals or devices, or are *erected* or *maintained* upon trees or painted or drawn upon rocks or natural features, or which are structurally unsafe or in disrepair.

- C. Nothing in these Rules and Regulations shall be construed to abrogate or affect the provisions of any lawful ordinance, regulation or resolution, which are more restrictive than the provisions of this chapter.

## VI. CRITERIA FOR A LEGAL CONFORMING SIGN

For a *sign* to be designated legal conforming, it must comply with the following location, size, spacing, and lighting criteria, pursuant to RIGL 24-10.1-3. Existing Conforming *Signs* – Conforming *signs* are *signs* that are lawfully *erected* and *maintained* and comply entirely with all provisions of the law. Conforming signs may remain or be *erected* adjacent to controlled highway systems after the effective date of the State law, which is May 6, 1966, and any subsequent amendments thereto.

### A. Location

1. *Signs* must be located in a zoned commercial or industrial area or a non-urban area that is unzoned commercial or industrial.
2. All *signs* shall be set back at least 25' feet from the nearest edge of *right-of-way* except in areas zoned by authority of law either industrial or commercial where the setback established by such authority will be observed.
3. No *sign* shall be *erected* in any area regardless of zoning or other considerations in areas either of natural or manmade scenic beauty or historical significance, including designated scenic roadways and bicycle paths, designated as such by the Rhode Island Department of Transportation.

### B. Size

No *sign panel* shall exceed the following limits:

1. For *signs panel* which are located within 150 from the nearest edge of the *right-of-way*, maximum area – 675 square feet, maximum height – 20 feet, maximum length – 50 feet. Dimensions include border trim, cutouts, extensions, but exclude bases and supports.
2. For *signs* which are located 150 feet or more from the nearest edge of the *right-of-way*, maximum area – 1200 square feet, maximum length – 60 feet, maximum height – 25 feet. Dimensions include border, trim, cutouts and extensions but exclude bases and supports.
3. Cutouts and extensions are not to exceed the following limits:
  - [a] Five [5] feet from the top of trim.
  - [b] One and one-half feet from either vertical side of trim.
  - [c] Two [2] feet from bottom of trim.
  - [d] No one cutout shall exceed more than ten percent [10%] of the total copy area or no combination of cutouts shall exceed thirty percent [30%] of the total copy area. Prior to the installation of any and all cutouts, a *permit holder* must submit to the *Department* a written explanation providing the

exact design, dimensions, *panel* number, and specifications of the proposed cutout. The *permit holder* must make this request no less than ten [10] business days prior to the anticipated installation of the cutout, and must strictly adhere to the restrictions listed above. No erection of a cutout will be *permitted* without first submitting a schematic of the proposed cutout for review, and receiving prior written approval of the *Department*.

4. *Signs* may be double faced [abutting and facing the same direction] provided that the total dimensions and area of double faced *signs* on the *structure* do not exceed the stipulations of a [1], a [2], and a [3] above.
5. Back-to-back *signs* shall be considered as two *signs*.
6. V-type *signs* shall be considered as two *signs*, but must be *erected* so that only one face is *visible* to traffic proceeding in any one direction on any Interstate or *Primary* System.

### C. Spacing

If a *sign* is located on and/or adjacent to an Interstate or *Primary* Highways or Secondary Roads the followings applies:

1. *Signs* shall not be located within 750 feet of items [a], [b], [c], [d], [e], [f] or [g] listed below, which are adjacent to the highway *right-of-way* regardless of whether there is direct access from the *state-way*, including but not limited to those areas being designated and *maintained* as such by public governmental agencies as follows:

- [a] Recreational Public Parks
- [b] Public Forests
- [c] Public Playgrounds
- [d] Scenic Overlooks or Designated Scenic Roadways
- [e] Bicycle Paths
- [f] Schools
- [g] *Safety Rest Areas*

In connection with sub-paragraph [1] above, the 750 foot limitation, which will be measured from the property lines of recreational public parks, schools, public forests, *safety rest areas*, public playgrounds, and bicycle paths will not be interpreted to extend beyond the opposite side of said highway *right-of-way*. In the case of scenic overlooks, which are constructed so as to utilize the view across said *state-way*, no *sign* shall be allowed which obscures the intended view. If there is an existing *structure* or building other than outdoor advertising within the 750 foot zone, a *sign* may be *erected* within said area provided that such *sign* does not otherwise obstruct the view of the area designated.

2. If an entity with a *sign* exists within an unzoned area, and said entity ceases to exist or operate for a minimum period of 90 calendar days, said *signs* would then be considered non-conforming. If the same area becomes zoned, in any designation but commercial or industrial, the *sign* will still remain non-conforming under Chapter 24-10.1 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island.
3. *Signs* that are located in zoned and unzoned commercial and industrial areas and were legally *erected* in accordance with the laws and regulations in effect at the time of their erection, but do not comply with the criteria contained in Section VI “A” of these *Rules and Regulations* may continue to be *maintained*. All such *signs* shall be classified as grandfathered *non-conforming* and must comply with the requirements of Section VIII. When highways are added to the Interstate and *Primary* System, standards contained in Section VI “A” shall apply only to *signs erected in commercial or industrial zones* and areas adjacent thereto subsequent to the date that such *state-ways* are added to the system
4. The minimum distances between *signs* of 250 feet and 750 feet shall be measured along the nearest edge of the pavement between points directly opposite the *signs*.
5. On-premise *signs* and other *signs* authorized and defined by Section 24-10.1-3 [a] [b] [c] of the General Laws of Rhode Island shall not be considered for purposes of measurement. Alleys, undeveloped rights-of-way, private roads and driveways are not intersections, and will not be utilized for measurement purposes.
6. No *signs* may be located on the same side of the *state-way* within 250 feet of a *major official guide sign*.

C(i) **Spacing of Legal Conforming Signs Adjacent to Interstate Highways and Freeways On the Primary System or Secondary Systems**

- A. **Zoned industrial or commercial area [does not apply to secondary systems]** – spacing between *signs* along each side of the highway shall be a minimum of 750 feet from the *sign structure* to *sign structure*. Back-to-back and V-type *signs* may be *erected* at single locations. No *structure* may be located adjacent to or within 500 feet of an *Interchange*, exit or entrance ramp, intersection at grade, or a safety rest area. Said 500 feet to be measured along the edge of pavement along the *Interchange*, ramp, intersection at grade, or a safety rest area or *state-way* from the beginning or ending of the pavement widening at the entrance to and exist from the *state-way*. Said distance limitation shall be measured separately for each direction of travel.
- B. **Unzoned industrial or commercial area [applies to all systems including secondary systems]** – spacing between *signs* along each side of the *state-way* shall be a minimum of 1500 feet. back-to-back and V-type *signs* may be *erected* at a single location. No *structure* may be located adjacent to or within 1000 feet of an *Interchange*, exit or entrance ramp, intersection at grade, or a safety rest area. Said 1000 feet to be measured along the *state- way* from the beginning or ending of pavement widening at the exit from or entrance to the *state-way*.

C(ii) Spacing of Legal Conforming Signs Adjacent to Secondary Systems Zoned Industrial/Commercial

- A. The location of *signs* shall conform to the following minimum criteria to be applied separately to each side of the secondary system.
- [1] Spacing between *signs* along each side of the secondary system shall be a minimum of 250 feet. V-type or back-to-back *signs* may be *erected* at a single location, but any such *signs* shall be at least 500 feet from any other *sign* the same side of the secondary system.
- [2] No *sign* may be located within 100 feet of an intersection [unless there is an existing building or *structure* other than an outdoor advertising *structure* in said area]. One *sign* shall be *permitted* within said area if it does not obstruct the existing view of the intersection to approaching traffic and meets all other *rules and regulations* herein contained. [Distance shall be measured as under Interstate Highways and *Freeways* on *Primary Systems* above].

D. Lighting

1. No *sign* may be *erected* or *maintained* which contains, includes or is illuminated by any flashing, intermittent or moving light or lights, except in the use of public information devices which indicate the correct time and temperature, or other changeable LED message *signs* or *billboards* with changeable messages.
2. No lighting may be used in any way in connection with any *sign* unless it so effectively shielded as to prevent beams or rays of light from being directed at any portion of the *state-way*, or is of such low intensity or brilliance as not to cause glare or to impair the vision of the driver of any motor vehicle, or to otherwise interfere with any driver's operation of a motor vehicle.
3. The Department has the right to require adjustments to lighting.

E. New Technologies

Adjacent to the *state-way*, no legally conforming *signs* advertising copy may be converted to Trivision or equivalent technologies unless approved by the Department, and if and when necessary, the Federal Highway Administration [non-conforming *signs* do not qualify for conversion and no video shall be allowed]. The Department will not allow the conversion of signs utilizing LED technology pending its study of safety issues.

If a *signs* advertisement copy is converted to a type of new technology, the *Department* may require a percentage of the advertisement copy be dedicated to public service (e.g. Amber Alert)

However, in accordance with Title 24 "Highways," Chapter 24-10.1-2, for each *sign* using such technology, two [2] valid *permits* for *signs* or *billboards* of equivalent size shall be required. Provided, further, however, that in the event that a *person*, firm or corporation does not hold more than one *permit*, only one *permit* for *signs* of equivalent size shall be required.

## **F. Timing of Messages**

A sign that is converted to Trivision or equivalent technologies, or message *signs*, or any other types of *signs* with changeable messages, shall display said messages for ten [10] continuous seconds or more without interruption. The Department may adjust the timing of messages based on public safety concerns.

## **VII. LEGAL NON-CONFORMING SIGNS**

- 1 **Legal Non-Conforming Signs** – A *sign* is considered to be legal *non-conforming* if it was lawfully *erected* prior to the effective date of the Federal and State law but does not conform to the current law’s requirements, and has a current State *permit*. A legal *non-conforming sign* must be lawfully *maintained* in accordance with applicable state law and these *Rules and Regulations*. Failure to do so may result in the revocation of *permit* and require the removal of the legal non-conforming *sign* without compensation. There are several ways in which a legal non-conforming *sign permit* may be revoked:

[a] A legal non-conforming sign that is abandoned or discontinued is a *sign* that may lose its legal non-conforming status if the *sign* owner fails to operate the *sign* 90 calendar days unless receiving prior approval by the Director of the *Department* of Transportation. Examples are:

1. Obsolete message content on the *sign*.
2. Blanked-out *Signs* void of any message content.
3. *Signs* in need of such substantial repair where *replacement costs* exceeds 25 percent of the *sign’s* current fair market value. Repairs must not begin without the prior written approval of the Director of the *Department* of Transportation. Reasonable repair and maintenance is *permitted* as prescribed in Section IX, part D of these *Rules and Regulations*. :

[b] **Destruction of a Legal Non-Conforming Sign.**

1. A legal non-conforming *sign* that is destroyed by Acts of God, such as high winds, lightening, or floods, whose replacement cost exceeds 25% of its current fair market value, shall not be *re-erected* and the *permit* shall be revoked.

[c] **Vandalism**

A legal *non-conforming sign* that is vandalized by criminal or tortuous acts may be *re-erected* with the prior approval of the Director of the *Department* of Transportation.

[d] **Sale, Leasing, Transferring**



A legal *non-conforming sign* may be sold, leased, or otherwise transferred without affecting its status. However, the location, size, spacing, lighting, or duration of the message [if applicable], of the *sign* shall not be changed, and the *sign* must have been actually in existence at the time the applicable State law or regulations became effective [May 6, 1966].

## VIII. MAINTENANCE OF LEGAL *NON-CONFORMING SIGNS*

A. **Customary Maintenance** – Legal *non-conforming signs* must remain substantially the same as they were on the date they became nonconforming. Reasonable repair and maintenance are *permitted*. Changes to the physical *structure* on the *sign*, other than a change of message, must be accomplished in accordance with these *Rules and Regulations*. These requirements include:

1. No change in the size of the legal non-conforming sign or the advertising *panel*.
2. No change in the type of existing *structure*, i.e., from a legal non-conforming sign with wooden posts to a monopole.
3. No addition of lighting, either attached or unattached.
4. No repairs exceeding 25% of the *replacement cost* of the legal non-conforming sign structure subject to these *Rules and Regulations*.

B. **The permission to maintain any legal *non-conforming sign* shall be terminated by:**

- [1] Abandonment of the *sign*. A legal non-conforming *sign* shall be deemed to be abandoned if, for a period of 90 calendar days, it ceased to display advertising content or displays obsolete or obliterated advertising content or for which no rent has been paid to the owner for a six [6] month period or more. Obsolete or obliterated advertising content is advertising matter that does not identify a particular product, service or facility that is currently available to the motorist. If for a period of 90 calendar days, an “available for lease” or similar message that concerns the availability of the sign itself, and which does not constitute advertising matter, is left in place, the legal non-conforming sign may be considered abandoned.
- [2] Increase of any dimension of the legal non-conforming *sign* from its original dimensions [height, width, length], in existence at the time the applicable Federal and State laws or regulations became effective.
- [3] Change of any aspect or character or the increase of the lumens of the lighting or the replacement of the legal non-conforming sign.
- [4] Performing maintenance of legal *non-conforming signs* from within the *right-of-way* of access-controlled *state-ways* without the written permission of the Director of the *Department of Transportation*.

- [5] Damage to the legal non-conforming *sign* from any cause whatsoever, except by willful acts, where the cost of repairing the damage exceeds 25% of the *replacement cost* of such legal non-conforming *sign* structure and/or where the legal non-conforming *sign* is at a minimum, 25% destroyed on the date of damage will not be replaced. Any legal non-conforming *sign* structure damaged by criminal or deliberate acts may be replaced upon a showing of the legal non-conforming *sign* owner that the legal non-conforming *sign* was so destroyed and upon prior written approval from the Director of the *Department* of Transportation.
- [6] Deterioration of the legal non-conforming *sign* where the cost of repairing or maintaining the legal non-conforming *sign* structure exceeds 25% of the *replacement cost* of such legal non-conforming *sign* on the date that the *Department* determines that the legal non-conforming *sign* is obsolete.
- [7] A legal non-conforming *sign* may be relocated to a legal conforming location with the prior approval of the *Department*.

**C. Standards for Normal Maintenance and Minor Repairs**

- [1] Normal maintenance shall include change of message, normal upkeep, and minor repairs.
- [2] Minor repairs, once determined by the *Department* that the cost will not exceed 25% of the *replacement cost* of the legal non-conforming *sign* shall be completed so as to result in the legal non-conforming *sign* being in satisfactory condition in the sole judgment of the *Department*. These repairs must be completed within ninety [90] calendar days from the date of notification to the legal non-conforming *sign* owner to repair, or the legal non-conforming *sign* or *billboard structure* will be removed as an *illegal sign*.

**IX. ILLEGAL SIGNS**

Illegal *signs* mean a *sign erected* or *maintained* in violation of the Federal Law, and/or State Law, and/or State *Rules and Regulations*, and/or Local Law, and/or ordinances.

- 1. A *sign* shall be classified as illegal including but not limited to the following:
  - [a] If *erected* in a *controlled area* where *signs* are not allowed; or
  - [b] If violates size, lighting or spacing requirements; or
  - [c] If fails to have a proper *permit*.
- 2. Removal and Penalty of Illegal *Signs*

See RIGL 24-10.1

3. *Signs* advertising activities that are illegal under State, Federal or Local Laws, or State Regulations in effect at the location of such *signs* are prohibited

## **X. ON-PREMISE ADVERTISING SIGNS**

*On-Premise advertising signs* may not be required to have a permit under Section X, and may be permissible if they conform to the following rules:

- [1] The *on-premise advertising sign* shall be located within 50 feet of the *immediate vicinity* of the principal activity.
- [2] The *on-premise advertising sign* shall be located on the same premises as the principal activity or property advertised. Any sign that consist solely of the name of the establishment is an on-premise sign.
- [3] The *on-premise advertising sign* shall have as its purpose [a] advertising of the sole and/or principal activity and/or it's products being sold and/or services rendered, or [b] advertising of the sale or lease of property on which the *on-premise advertising sign* is located, rather than the purpose of general advertising. An *on-premise advertising sign* identifying the establishments' principal and/or accessory products and/or services offered on the premises is an *on-premise advertising sign*
- [4] A "For Sale" or "For Lease" advertising *sign* which advertises a product or a service located upon and related to the business of selling or leasing the land on which the advertising *sign* is located, is an *on-premise advertising sign*.
- [5] If any or all portion of a *sign* advertises activity or activities not conducted on the premises, and/or products or services not part of the principal activity, it is not an on-premise *sign*.
- [6] The *on-premise advertising sign* owner bears the burden of proving, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the advertised activity is conducted on the premises. The following shall be used for determining whether a *on-premise advertising sign* is located on the same premises as the activity or property advertised.
  - [a] The premises on which an activity is conducted is determined by physical facts rather than property lines, ownership, recorded plats and lots, etc. Generally, it is defined as the improved land occupied by the buildings or other physical uses that are necessary and customarily incident to the activity on a regular basis including such open spaces as are reasonably arranged and designed to be used in connection with such buildings or uses on a regular basis. *On-Premise advertising signs* shall be no more than 50 feet from said activity.

### **An on-premise advertising sign shall not be located on:**

- [1] Any land or site, which is not, used as an integral part of the principal activity. This would include, but is not limited to, land which is separated from the activity by a *state-way* or other obstruction, and not used by the activity, and/or extensive undeveloped *state-way* frontage contiguous to

the land actually used by a commercial facility, even though it might be under the same ownership.

- [2] Any land or site, which is used for, or devoted to, a separate purpose unrelated to the advertised activity. For example, land adjacent to or adjoining a service station but devoted to raising of crops, residence, or farmstead uses or other commercial or industrial uses having no relationship to the service station activity would not be part of the premises of the service station, even though under the same ownership.
- [3] Any land or site occupied solely by *structures* or uses which are only incidental to the principal activity, and which serve no reasonable or integral purpose related to the activity other than to attempt to qualify the land for *signing* purposes. Generally, these will be inexpensive facilities, such as picnic, playground, or camping areas, dog kennels, golf-driving ranges, common or private roadways or easements, walking paths, bicycle paths, fences, and *sign* maintenance sheds

**A. Narrow Strips**

Where the *sign* site is located at or near the end of a narrow strip contiguous to the activity, the *sign* shall not be considered part of the premises on which the activity being advertised is conducted. A narrow strip shall include any configuration of land, which is such that it cannot be put to any reasonable use related to the activity other than for *signing* purposes. In no event shall a *sign* site be considered part of the *replacement cost* premises on which the advertised activity is conducted if it is located upon a narrow strip of land:

- [a] which is non-buildable land, such as a swampland, marshland, or other wetland, or
- [b] which is a common or private roadway, or
- [c] held by easement or other lesser interest than the premises where the advertised activity is located. Exception to the above would be a commercial or industrial complex / park marquee *sign*.

**B. On-Premise Advertising Signs Located on Interstate and National Highway System**

All on-premise *signs* including but not limited to those located adjacent to those roadways listed in Exhibit A1, are under the jurisdiction of the *Department* and these *Rules and Regulations*, and they must be in compliance with the provisions contained herein including the following:

- [1] No *sign panels* will exceed a maximum area of 150 square feet
- [2] *Signs* with new technologies will not be *erected* without the express written approval of the Director of the *Department* of Transportation
- [3] Lighting will be in conformance with the provisions provided in Section VI – Criteria For A Legal Conforming *Sign*

- [4] No *sign* will block the view of an official *directional sign*
- [5] All *signs* must be a minimum of 50 feet from the state highway line
- [6] *Signs* utilizing digital display technology are limited to a continuous 10-second motionless display

## **XI. DIRECTIONAL, REGULATORY, WARNING AND AGRICULTURAL SIGNS**

Directional, Regulatory and Warning *Signs* are not under the jurisdiction of these *Rules and Regulations*. The erection and maintenance of these types of *signs* will be referred to and are under the jurisdiction of the *Department's* Traffic Engineering Section, and are in conformance with the "Manual for Uniform Traffic Control Devices" [MUTCD].

No rule or regulation of the Department of Transportation shall be enforced against any agricultural operation to prevent it from placing a seasonal directional *sign* or display on the state's right-of-way, on the condition that that *sign* or display conforms with the local zoning ordinance, and that *sign* or display is promptly removed by the agricultural operation upon the conclusion of the season for which said *sign* or display was placed, in accordance with RIGL 2-23.

## **XII. RECLASSIFICATION OF SIGNS**

The *Department* reserves the right to reclassify *signs* which are legally conforming that become legal non-conforming [and vice versa] due to revisions in the Federal Law, State Law, and/or *Rules and Regulations*, and/or change in business activity, and/or re-zoning by proper authority, and/or change in state-way configuration.

## **XIII. PERMIT PROCESS**

All *signs* lawfully *erected* [which include both conforming and *non-conforming signs*] require a *permit* and a *panel* identification number. *Permits* are issued to site-specific locations. Applicants requesting a *permit* must provide proof of legal control of the real property [footprint] and sign. *Permits* are issued under this application process will expire on December 31<sup>st</sup> in the year in which they were issued, unless sooner revoked for cause [outlined in these *Rules and Regulations*] by the *Department*. No *permits* shall be transferred or assigned to another entity without the approval of the *Department*.

### **A. Requirements for a Permit Application**

- [1] A separate application for a *permit* shall be made for each separate *sign* as so defined in these *Rules and Regulations* on a form furnished by the *Department*; which application shall be signed by the applicant or the applicant's representative duly authorized in writing, to act for the applicant.

The following items shall be required for the *permit* application process:

- [a] written proof of legal control through the calendar year, and/or ownership of the real property [footprint of the *sign*] upon which the *sign* is located [i.e. lease, rental agreement, deed, etc.];

- [b] written proof of legal control through the calendar year and/or ownership of the *sign* [i.e. lease, rental agreement, bill of sale];
- [c] written proof of insurance with language indemnifying and naming the State of Rhode Island as co-insured where applicable [if the *sign* is located on State-owned property];
- [d] name and address of the present legal owner of the real property on which the *sign* is located;
- [e] Assessor's Plat and Lot Number of the real property upon which the *sign* is located;
- [f] name and address of the present *sign* owner.

[2] **\*The *Permit Rate Structure* shall be as follows:**

• 72 square foot stagnant <i>signs</i>	<b>\$200 per panel</b>
• 300 and 672 square foot stagnant <i>signs</i>	<b>\$450 per panel</b>
• Changeable Message Sign /Mechanical [any size]	<b>\$1,300 per panel</b>
• Changeable Message Sign /Electronic [any size]	<b>\$2,000 per panel</b>
<b>[Also Includes Any Other New Technology]</b>	

\*RIDOT Reserves the right to examine the above fees on an annual basis. Fee structures will be commensurate with actual costs to administer the Outdoor Advertising Program.

**NOTE:** Fees are charged on a per *panel* basis, and shall be paid in the form of a non-refundable check made payable to the "General Treasurer, State of Rhode Island." Applications for a new sign location shall have a non-refundable fee of \$100. If the application is approved for a new location, the fee schedule above shall determine the cost of the *permit*.

- [3] The *Department* may respond to a completed application within a reasonable time, not to exceed 60 calendar days. However if it is found that the information in the application is incomplete or incorrect, the *Department* reserves the right to suspend the 60 calendar day response time until all required information is submitted, reviewed, and found to be complete. Only at that time will the *Department* be held to the 60 calendar day response time.

**B. Revocation of Permit:** The *Department* of Transportation shall have the right after thirty [30] calendar days notice in writing to the *permit holder*, to revoke any *permit* granted if the *sign* fails to comply with these *Rules and Regulations*, Federal or State Laws that pertain to the governing of *signs*. If within the 30 calendar day period the *permit holder* amends the *sign* to conform to these *Rules and Regulations*, Federal or State Laws that pertain to the governing of *signs*, the revocation will be suspended. The *Department* will revoke immediately any *permit* whose *sign* message content resembles a traffic, *directional* or official guide *sign* or illegal content.

**C. Identification of Sign:** Every *sign erected* under these *Rules and Regulations* shall be *erected* in the exact location described on the *permit* and shall have a clearly *visible permit* number; said number to be not less than two [2] inches in height for *signs* closer than 150 feet from the nearest edge of the *right-of-way*, and four [4] inches in height for *signs* located beyond 150 feet from the nearest edge of the *right-of-way* and are to be placed on the furthest left support post, 2 ½ feet from the bottom of the *sign*; provided; however, that wherever *signs* are *erected* on a single post,



the number shall be placed on the face of the post under the *sign*. All *signs* having been issued a *permit* shall bear the clearly *visible* imprint of the *permit* number.

The *Department* will assign *panel* numbers for each sign *panel*. Each *panel* number shall be clearly *visible*, and shall not be less than two [2] inches in height for *signs* closer than 150 feet from the nearest edge of the *right-of-way*, and four [4] inches in height for *signs* located beyond 150 feet from the nearest edge of the *right-of-way* and are to be placed on the furthest left support post, 2 ½ feet from the bottom of the *sign*; provided; however, that wherever *signs* are *erected* on a single post, the number shall be placed on the face of the post under the *sign*.

**D. Appeal:**

- [1] Any applicant aggrieved by a final written decision of a subordinate official of the *Department* of Transportation, may within thirty [30] calendar days after receipt of said written decision, appeal in writing to the Director of Transportation.
- [2] Any applicant aggrieved by a final written decision of the Director, may within thirty [30] calendar days after receipt of said written decision, appeal to the Superior Court in Providence County by filing a complaint pursuant to the Rhode Island General Laws, 42-35-15, as amended.

**XIV. ADOPT-A-SPOTS, ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY, AND SPONSOR-A-HIGHWAY PROGRAMS**

The erection of signage on *Department* owned and controlled *right-of-way* and *state-ways* is governed by several *Department* Programs. For information about these Programs, please contact:

<b>Adopt-A-Spot Program:</b>	<b>RIDOT Real Estate Section</b>	<b>(401) 222-4501</b>
<b>Adopt-A-Highway Program:</b>	<b>RIDOT Maintenance Division</b>	<b>(401) 222-2378</b>
<b>Sponsor -A - Highway Program</b>	<b>RIDOT Maintenance Division</b>	<b>(401) 222-2378</b>

**XV. VEGETATION CONTROL**

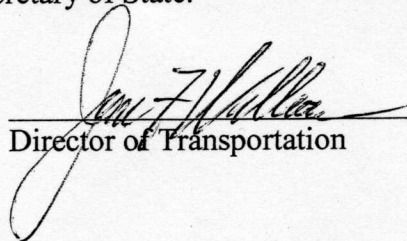
Vegetation Control as it relates to these *Rules and Regulations* shall fall under the jurisdiction of the *Department's* Property Management Procedures. Please contact the Property Management Unit for further instruction.

**XVI. SEVERABILITY**

- A. If any section, clause, or provision of these *Rules and Regulations* shall be held either unconstitutional or ineffective in whole or in part, to the extent that it is not unconstitutional or ineffective, it shall be valid and effective and no other section, clause or provision shall on account thereof be termed invalid or ineffective.

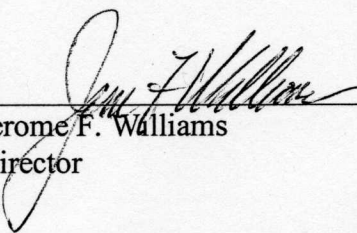
**XVII. EFFECTIVE DATE**

These *Rules and Regulations* are hereby adopted by the undersigned on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February A.D. 2007, and shall be effective upon filing a certified copy hereof in the office of the Secretary of State.

  
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Director of Transportation

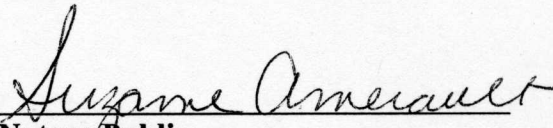
## CERTIFICATION

I, the Director of the Department of Transportation for the State of Rhode Island hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the Rules and Regulations for Outdoor Advertising, governing the regulating, erection and maintenance of outdoor advertising adopted on September 12, 1980, pursuant to Chapter 24-10.1 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956 amended, entitled, "Outdoor Advertising" and incorporates Outdoor Advertising Rules and Regulations Amendments effective February 22, 2007.

  
Jerome F. Williams  
Director

STATE OF Rhode Island  
COUNTY OF Providence

In Providence on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2007, before me personally appeared Jerome F. Williams to me known and known by me to be the Director for the Rhode Island Department of Transportation, and to be the party executing the foregoing instrument and he acknowledged said instrument by him executed to be his free act and deed individually and in his said capacity.

  
Notary Public

My Commission expires: 1-13-09

# EXHIBIT A

## **EXHIBIT A**

### **BARRINGTON**

Barneyville Road

County Road (Rte. 103)  
(Rte. 103/114)

Massasoit Avenue

Metropolitan Park Drive

Middle Highway

Nayatt Road

New Meadow Road

Primrose Hill Road

Rumstick Road

Sowams Road

Wampanoag Trail (Rte. 114)

Washington Road

Soams Road to the Mass SL

E. Prov CL to Wampanoag Tr  
Wampanoag Tr to Warren TL (Warren Bridge #124)

County Road to New Mead Road

East Providence TL to Haines Memorial Park Road

Primrose Hill Road to Nayatt Road

Rumstick Rd. to Washington Rd.

County road to the Mass SL

Wampanoag Trail to Middle Highway

Nayatt Road to County Road

County Road to New Meadow Road

East Providence CL to County Road

From County Road to Nayatt Road

## **BLOCK ISLAND (NEW SHOREHAM)**

Beach Avenue

Center Road

Chapel Street

Cooneymus Road

Corn Neck Road

Dodge Street

High Street

Lakeside Drive

Mohegan Trail

Ocean Avenue

Spring Street

Water Street

West Side Road

Corn Neck Road to Center Road

West Side Road to Lakeside Drive

Water Street to the Square Deal Garage

West Side Road to Lakeside Drive

Chapel Street to 0.6 miles South of Brush Hill

Corn Neck Road to Water Street

Water Street to Payne Road

Cooneymus Road to Mohegan Trail

Lakeside Drive to Spring Street (South East Light Road)

Corn Neck Road to New Harbor Dock

High Street to Mohegan Trail

Dodge Street to East of Old Harbor Dock

Ocean Avenue to Cooneymus Road



## **BRISTOL**

Ferry Road (Rte. 114)

Hope Street/Wood Street to Mount Hope Bridge App.  
Rte. 114 to Bristol Ferry Slip

Gooding Avenue

Metacom Avenue to Main Street

Griswold Avenue

Ferry Road to Old Metacom Avenue

Hope Street (Rte. 114)

Warren TL to Ferry Road/Wood Street

Metacom Avenue (Rte. 136)

Warren TL to Ferry Road

Old Metacom Avenue

Metacom Avenue to Griswold Avenue

Poppasquash Road

Hope Street to the Southeast end of Colt's Drive

## **BURRILLVILLE**

Bronco Highway (Rte. 102)

Buck Hill Road

Chapel Street (Rte. 107)

Church Street (Rte. 100)

Douglas Pike (Rte. 7)

East Avenue (Rte. 107)

(Rte. 98)

High Street

Main Street (Rte. 107)

Reservoir Road

River Street

Round Top Road (Rte. 96)

School Street  
(aka Callahan School Rd.)

Sherman Farm Road (Rte. 98)

South Main Street (Rte. 100)

Steere Farm Road (Rte. 98)

Victory Highway (Rte. 102)

Wallum Lake Road (Rte. 100)

Glocester TL to North Smithfield TL

Wallum Lake road to Connecticut SL

.11 mile west of Railroad AV to Main Street

High Street to Wallum Lake Road

Joslin Road to North Smithfield TL

South Main Street to .11 mile west of Railroad Avenue

School Street to East Avenue

Church St. to South Main St.

South Main St. to .11 mile west of Railroad Ave.  
School St. to East Ave.

Glocester TL to South Main Street

Chapel Street to Round Top Road

School Street/Whipple Road Mass SL

Sherman Farm Rd. to Round Top Rd.

Main Street to Mass SL

Main Street to Glocester TL

East Avenue to Glocester TL

Glocester TL to North Smithfield TL

Church Street to Mass SL

**CENTRAL FALLS**

Dexter Street

Pawtucket CL to Lonsdale Avenue

Lonsdale Avenue (Rte. 122)

Dexter Street to Walker Street (Lincoln TL)

## **CHARLESTOWN**

Alton Carolina Road (Rte. 91)

Carolina Back Road (Rte. 112)

Kenyon Road  
(aka Sherman Road)

Kings Factory Road

Narragansett Trail

Old Post Road (US 1)

Post Road (US 1)

Ross Hill Road (Rte. 216)

Shannock Road

South County Trail (Rte. 2)  
(Rte. 2/112)

Carolina Back Road to Richmond TL

South County Trail to Richmond TL

RR Bridge to South County Trail

Richmond TL to .10 miles south of Narragansett Trail

Kings Factory Road east 3000 feet

Post Road to South Kingstown TL

Westerly TL to South Kingstown TL

Post Road to Westerly TL

Rte. 2 to Carolina Back Road

Richmond TL to Carolina Back Road

Carolina Back Road to Old Post Road

## **COVENTRY**

Coventry Greene Road (117)  
(aka Summit Greene Road)

Fairview Avenue

Flat River Road (117)  
(117)

Harkney Hill Road (118)

Hill Farm Road

Phillips Hill Road

Hopkins Hollow Road

Knotty Oak Road (116)

Main Street (117)  
(115)

Nooseneck Hill Road (3)

Old Flat River Road

Peckham Lane

Plainfield Pike (14)

Sandy Bottom Road (33)

South main Street

Summit Green Road (117)

Tiogue Road (3)

Victory Highway (102)

Washington Street (117/33)

Wood Street

Plainfield Pike to Victory Highway

Washington Street to W. Warwick TL

South Main Street to Rte. 102  
Summit Greene Road to Plainfield Pike (14)

Victory Highway to Nooseneck Hill Road

Harkney Hill Road to Phillips Hill Road

Flat River Road to Hill Farm Road

Summit Greene Road to .03 mile south of Bridge 80

Washington Street to Scituate TL

South Main Street to Knotty Oak Road  
Cranston CL to W. Warwick TL

South Main Street to W. Greenwich TL

Flat River Road to Flat River Road (Coventry Center)

Flat River Road to Old Flat River Road

Foster TL to Connecticut SL

Washington Street to Tiogue Avenue

Tiogue Avenue to Washington Street/Main Street

Rte. 102 west to Flat River Road

W. Warwick TL to South Main Street

Foster TL to W. Greenwich TL

Knotty Oak Road t W. Warwick TL

South Main to Tiogue Road

## **CRANSTON**

Atwood Avenue (Rte. 5)	Johnston TL to Cranston Street
Bald Hill Road (Rte. 2)	Warwick TL to Rte. 5/2 Interchange
Dean Parkway	Oaklawn Avenue to Meshanticut Valley Parkway
East Avenue	Mayfield Street to Pontiac Avenue
Elmwood Avenue (US 1)	Warwick CL to Providence CL
Fletcher Avenue	Plainfield Street to Atwood Avenue
Howard Avenue	New London Avenue to Pontiac Avenue
Interstate 95	Providence CL to Warwick CL
Interstate 295	Johnston TL to Warwick CL
Mayfield Avenue	Oaklawn Avenue to East Street
Meshanticut Valley Parkway	Dean Parkway to New London Avenue
New London Avenue (Rte. 2/33)	Reservoir Avenue to W. Warwick TL
Oaklawn Avenue (Rte. 5)	Atwood Avenue to Warwick CL
Pippin Orchard Road	Plainfield Pike to Hope Road
Plainfield Pike (Rte. 14)	Atwood Avenue to Johnston TL
Pontiac Avenue	East Street to Hershey road
Reservoir Avenue (Rte. 2)	Providence CL to New London Turnpike
Route 10	Providence CL to Providence CL
Route 37	Phenix Avenue to Warwick CL
Scituate Avenue(Rte. 12) Old Scituate Avenue	Phenix Avenue to Scituate TL
Wayland Avenue	Phenix Avenue to Oaklawn Avenue
Warwick Avenue (Rte. 117)	Warwick TL to Broad Street
Wilbur Avenue (Underpass)	Bridge #420



## **CUMBERLAND**

Albion Road	Lincoln TL (Albion Br) to Mendon Road
Angell Road (Rte. 116)	Mendon Road to Diamond Hill Road
Broad Street	Central Falls CL to Mendon Road
Chambers Street	Broad Street to John Street (one-way west loop)
Dexter Street (Rte. 123)	Broad Street to Mass SL
Diamond Hill Road (Rte. 114)	Pine Swamp Road to Hines Road
High Street (Rte. 114)	Hines Road to Broad Street
Interstate 295	Lincoln TL to Mass SL
John Street	Lincoln TL (Blackstone River) to Broad Street
Little Pond County Road	Whipple Highway to Scott Road
Manville Road (Rte. 120)	Lincoln TL to Mendon Road
Marshall Avenue	Mendon Road to Diamond Hill Road
Mendon Road (Rte. 122)	Lincoln TL to Woonsocket TL
Mill Street (aka Ann-Hope Way)	Mendon Road to Broad Street
Nate Whipple Highway (Rte. 120)	Mendon Road to Mass SL
Old Sneece Pond Road	Loops at Nate Whipple Highway; 1 mile E of 114 at Arnold Mills
Pine Swamp Road (Rte. 114) (aka W Wrentham Road)	Woonsocket CL to Diamond Hill Road
West Wrentham Road	Mendon Road to Pine Swamp Road
Wrentham Road (Rte. 121)	Pine Swamp Road to Mass SL

## **EAST GREENWICH**

Carr Pond Road	Frenchtown Road to South County Trail
Cedar Avenue	Division Street to Middle Road
Cedar Road	Post Road to Middle Road
Davisville Road (Rte. 403)	Rte. 4/Frenchtown Road to N. Kingstown TL
Division Street (Rte. 401)	First Avenue to W. Greenwich TL
Division Street	First Avenue to Post Road
First Avenue (Rte. 401)	Post Road/Main Street to Division Street
Frenchtown Road (Rte. 402)	South County Trail to N. Kingstown TL
Frenchtown Road	South County Trail to Carr Pond Road
I-95	Warwick CL to W. Greenwich TL
Main Street (US 1)	Warwick CL to Forge Road
Middle Road	Carr Pond Road to Moosehorn Road
Middle Road	Moosehorn Road to Rte. 2
Middle Road U-Turn	Rte. 2 to Middle Road
Moosehorn Road	Middle Road to Division Street
Route 4	Warwick CL to North Kingstown TL
Old Post Road (?)	
Post Road (US 1)	Forge Road to N. Kingstown TL
South County Trail (Rte. 2)	Warwick TL to N. Kingstown TL

## **EAST PROVIDENCE**

Bishop Avenue	Pawtucket Avenue South .07 miles (396')
Bullock's Point Avenue	Pawtucket Avenue to Crescent View Avenue
East Shore Expressway	I-195/Warren Avenue to Wampanoag Trail
Highland Avenue (US 6)	Warren Avenue/Skycrest Drive to Mass SL
I-195	Providence CL to Mass SL
Metropolitan Park Drive	Willet Avenue to Barrington TL
Mink Road/School Street	Wampanoag Tr to Mass SL
Henderson Bridge/Approaches	Providence CL to Broadway
Newman Avenue (Rte. 152)	Pawtucket Avenue to Mass SL
Newport. Avenue (US 1A)	Pawtucket CL to Pawtucket Avenue
Pawtucket Avenue (Rte. 114) (Rte. 114/1A) (Rte. 114/103) (Rte. 103)	Pawtucket TL to Newport Avenue Newport. Avenue to I-195 I-195 to Wampanoag Trail Wampanoag Trail to Willet Avenue
Pleasant Street (Rte. 114A)	Pawtucket Avenue to Mass SL
Taunton Avenue (US 44)	N. Broadway to Mass SL
Veteran's Memorial Parkway	I-195/Warren Avenue to Pawtucket Avenue
Wampanoag Trail (Rte. 114)	Pawtucket Avenue to Barrington TL
Warren Avenue (US 6/Rte. 103) (US 6)	Broadway to Pawtucket Avenue  Pawtucket Avenue to Highland Avenue Highland Avenue to Mass SL
Waterman Avenue	Massasoit Avenue to Warren Avenue
Willett Avenue (Rte. 103)	Pawtucket Avenue to Barrington TL

## **EXETER**

Allentown Road	Rte. 2 to N. Kingstown TL
Arcadia Road	Ten Rod Road (165) to Richmond TL
Austin Farm Road	Black Plain Road to Nooseneck Hill Road
Beach Pond Road (Rte. 138)	Hopkinton TL to Conn SL
Black Plain Road	Ten Rod Rd (165) to Austin Farm Road
Bridge Road	New Road to N. Kingstown TL
Cul-de-sac	New Road to end
Escoheag Hill Road	Ten Rod Road (165) to W. Greenwich TL
I-95	W. Greenwich TL to Richmond TL
Liberty Road	New Road to N. Kingstown TL
New Road (Connector Rd. Mill Pond Rd, Chipuxet Rd)	Liberty Road to Yawgoog Valley Road
Nooseneck Hill Rd (Rte. 3)	W. Greenwich TL to Richmond TL
South Road (aka Slocumville Road)	Ten Rod Rd. to Rte. 2
South County Trail (Rte. 2)	N. Kingstown TL to S. Kingstown TL
Ten Rod Road (Rte. 102) (Rte. 165)	N. Kingstown TL to Victory Highway Rte. 3 to Connecticut SL
Victory Highway (Rte. 102)	Ten Rod Road to W. Greenwich TL

## **FOSTER**

Anna Wade Road

Central Pike

Cucumber Hill Road

Danielson Pike (US 6)

Foster Center Road (Rte. 94)

Hartford Pike (Rte. 101)

Mooseup Valley Road

Mount Hygeia Road (Rte. 94)

Old Danielson Pike

Plainfield Pike (Rte. 14/102)

Victory Highway (Rte. 102)

Hartford Pike to Gloucester TL

Foster Center Rd. to Scituate TL

Danielson Pike to Mooseup Valley Road

Scituate TL to Conn SL

Danielson Pike to Plainfield Pike

Scituate TL to Conn SL

Cucumber Hill Rd. to Plainfield Pike

Danielson Pike to Gloucester TL

US-6 to US-6 Loop

Scituate TL to Coventry TL

Plainfield Pike to Coventry TL

## **GLOCESTER**

Anne Wade Road

Douglas Hook Road

Hartford Pike (Rte. 101)

Mt. Hygeia Rd (Rte. 94)  
(aka Renolds Road)  
(aka Sheldon Road)

Old Putnam Pike

Money Hill Road (Rte. 100)  
(aka Pascoag Road)

Putnam Pike (Rte. 44)

Reservoir Road

Saw Mill Road

Snake Hill Road

Steere Farm Road (Rte. 98)

West Greenville Rd (116)

Victory Highway (Rte. 102)  
(aka Chompmist Hill Road)

Snake Hill Rd. to Foster TL

Putnam Pike to Whipple Rd (Steeres Farm)

Small piece

Putnam Pike to Hartford Pike

At Pine Orchard Road

Victory Highway to Burrillville TL

Smithfield TL to Conn SL

Putnam Pike to Burrillville TL

Putnam Pike to Scituate TL

W. Greenville Rd. to Anan Wade Rd.

Money Hill Rd. to Burrillville TL

Scituate TL to Smithfield TL (2 pieces)

Scituate TL to Burrillville TL

## **HOPKINTON**

Arcadia Road/Bank Street

Bridge Street

Alton-Bradford Rd. (Rte. 91)

Ashaway-Bradford Rd. (Rte. 216)

Spring Street (Rte. 138)  
(aka Beach Pond Rd, Rockville Rd.)

Clarks Fall Road

Grey Lane

High Street

I-95

Laurel Hill Road

Mechanic Street

Nooseneck Hill Rd. (Rte. 3)  
(Main Street)

Old Nooseneck Hill Road

Wellstown Road

Woodville Road

Yawgoog Road

Wincheck Pond Road

Exeter TL to Nooseneck Hill Rd

Arcadia Rd. to Rte. 3/138

Richmond TL to Westerly TL

Main St. to Alton-Bradford Rd.

Nooseneck Hill Rd. to Exeter TL

Nooseneck Hill Rd. to Connecticut SL

Wellstown Rd. to dead end (I-95)

Nooseneck Hill Rd. (Main St). to Connecticut SL

Richmond TL to Connecticut SL

Westerly TL to High St.

Nooseneck Hill Rd. to Hopkinton TL

Richmond TL to Westerly TL

Connecticut SL to Exit 1 I-95

High St. to Nooseneck Hill Rd.

Nooseneck Hill Rd. to Richmond TL

Spring St. to Camp Yawgoog

Spring St. to Spring St.



## **JAMESTOWN**

Beavertail Road

Conanicus Avenue

East Shore Road  
(Rte. 138)

Eldred Avenue (Rte. 138)

Hamilton Avenue

Jamestown-Verranzano Bridge

Narragansett Avenue

North Road

Southwest Avenue

Walcott Avenue

Southwest Ave. to State Park Entrance

East Shore Rd. to Narragansett Ave.

Summit Ave. to Eldred Ave.  
Eldred Ave. to Newport Bridge

Jamestown Bridge to East Shore Rd.

Beavertail Rd. to Walcott Ave.

Conanicus Ave. westerly to end

Eldred Ave. to Narragansett Ave.

Narragansett Ave. to Hamilton/Beavertail Rd.

Ocean St. to Narragansett Ave.

## **JOHNSTON**

Atwood Avenue (Rte. 5)

Borden Avenue

Central Avenue

Cherry Hill Road

Dean Avenue

George Waterman Rd. (Rte. 128)

Greenville Avenue

(Rte. 5)

Hartford Avenue (US-6A)

Hopkins Avenue

I-295

Killingly Street (Rte. 128)

Orchard Avenue

Plainfield Pike (Rte. 14)

Putnam Pike (US 44)

Simmons ville Road

Spragueville Road (Rte. 5)  
(aka Sanderson Road)

US-6 Expressway

Winsor Avenue

Greenville Ave to Cranston CL

Killingly St. to Hartford Ave.

Atwood Ave. to Providence CL

Atwood Ave. to Greenville Ave.

Putnam Pike to Smithfield TL

Greenville Ave to Putnam Pike

Smithfield TL to Spragueville Rd.

Spragueville Rd. to Atwood Ave.  
Atwood Ave. to Providence CL

Providence CL to Scituate TL

Hartford Pike to Winsor Ave.

Smithfield TL to Cranston TL

Greenville Ave. to Providence TL

Smithfield TL to Winsor Avenue

Providence CL to Scituate TL

N. Providence TL to Smithfield TL

Plainfield Pike to Atwood Ave.

Smithfield TL to Greenville Ave.

I-295 to Providence TL

Greenville Ave. to Scituate TL

## LINCOLN

Albion Road (Rte. 123)	Smithfield TL to George Washington Hwy Old River Rd west to end
Breakneck Hill Road (Rte. 123)	Louisquisset Pike (246) to Great Rd.
Front Street (Rte. 123)	Breakneck Hill Rd. to Lonsdale Ave.
George Washington Hwy (116)	Smithfield TL to Mendon Rd.
Great Road (Rte. 123)	Front Street to Breakneck Hill Rd. Breakneck Hill Rd. to .7 m north of Sherman Ave.
Interstate 295	Smithfield TL to Cumberland TL
Jenckes Hill Road (Rte. 123)	Louisquisset Pike (246) to Smithfield TL
John Street (Rte. 123)	Lonsdale Ave to Cumberland TL (Blackstone River)
Limerock Road	Jenckes Hill Road to Smithfield TL
Lonsdale Avenue (Rte. 122)	Central Falls CL to Cumberland TL
Main Street (aka Manville Road)	New River Rd. to Cumberland TL
New River Road (aka Railroad Avenue)	Old River Rd. to School St.
(Old) Louisquisset Pike (246)	N. Providence TL to Rte. 146
Old River Road (Rte. 126)	N. Smithfield TL to River Rd.
River Road (Rte. 126)	Old River Rd. to Front St.
Route 99	Rte. 146 to Cumberland TL
Route 146	N. Providence TL to N. Smithfield TL
Sayles Hill Road (aka Manville Road)	N. Smithfield TL to Old River Rd.
School Street (aka Albion Road)	Old River Rd. to Cumberland TL
Smithfield Avenue (Rte. 126)	Pawtucket CL to Front St.
Twin River Road	Smithfield TL to Olney Rd. – Lincoln Woods
Walker Street	Smithfield Ave. to Lonsdale Ave.

## LITTLE COMPTON

Adamsville Road	Crandall Rd. to Mass SL
Bramblewood Crossroad	Crandall Rd. to Church
Colebrook Road	Long Hwy to Stone Church Rd.
Little Compton Commons Commons Road	South of Commons Rd. to Meetinghouse Lane
Crandall Road (Rte. 81)	Tiverton TL to Adamsville Rd/Stone Church Rd.
East Main Road	Peckham Rd. to Simmons Rd.
Long Highway	Peckham Rd. to Colebrook Rd.
Meeting House Lane	West Main Rd. to south of Commons Rd.
Mullen Hill Road	Pottersville Rd. to Mass SL
Peckham Road	West Main Rd. to Long Hwy.
Pottersville Road	Long hwy to Mullen Hill Rd.
Sakonnet Point Road (Rte. 117)	West Main Rd. to end
Simmons Road	East Main Rd. to south of Commons Rd.
Snell Road	East Main Rd. to Long Hwy.
South of Commons Road	Commons Rd. to Swamp Rd.
Stone Church Road (Rte. 179) Main Street	Tiverton TL to Crandall Rd.
West Main Road (Rte. 77) Main Street	Tiverton TL to Crandall Rd.
West Main Road (Rte. 77)	Tiverton TL to Sakonnet Point Rd.
Westport Harbor Road	Adamsville Rd. to Mass SL

## **MIDDLETOWN**

Aquidneck Avenue (Rte. 138A)

Coddington Highway

East Main Road (Rte. 138)

Gate 17, Naval Access

Green Lane

Sachuest Point Road  
(aka Hanging Rock Road)

Valley Road (Rte. 214)

West Main Road (Rte. 114)  
(Rte. 114/138)

E. Main Rd. to Newport CL

W. Main Rd. to Newport. CL

Portsmouth TL to W. Main Rd.

W. Main Rd. to Navy Base

W. Main Rd. to Navy Base Entrance

Paradise Ave. to end at Naval Reservation

W. Main Rd. to Aquidneck Ave.

Portsmouth TL to E. Main Rd.

## NARRAGANSETT

Beach Street (US 1A)

Boston Neck Road (US 1A)

Bridgetown Road

Burnside Avenue

Galilee Connector Road

Galilee Escape Road

Great Island Road

Kingstown Road (US 1A)

Knowlesway

Narragansett Avenue (US 1A)  
(Caswell or Ouida Ave.)

Ocean Road

Point Judith Road (Rte. 108)

Sand Hill Cove Road

State Street

Succotash Road

Towerhill Road (US 1)  
(Post Road)

Boston Neck Rd. to Ocean Rd.

N. Kingstown TL to Beach St.

Boston Neck Rd. to S. Kingstown TL

Pt. Judith Rd. to Ocean Rd.

Great Island Rd. to Sand Hill Cove Rd.

Pt. Judith Rd. to Great Island Rd.

Galilee Escape Rd. to Sand Hill Cove Rd.

Narragansett Ave. to S. Kingstown TL

Pt. Judith Rd. to Ocean Ave.

Kingstown Rd. to Beach St.

Beach St. to Pt. Judith Coast Guard Station

Kingstown Rd. to Ocean Rd.

Great Island Rd. to Point Judith Rd.

Great Island Rd. to State Pier

S. Kingstown TL to end (State Pier)

S. Kingstown TL to S. Kingstown TL

## **NEWPORT**

Admiral Kalbfus Road (Rte. 138)

America's Cup Avenue (Rte. 138A)

Farewell Street (Rte. 138)

Goat Island Connector

J. T. Connell Highway

Memorial Boulevard (Rte. 138)

Newport Bridge Approaches

Third St. to W. Main Rd. (One Mile Corner)

Farewell St. to Memorial Blvd.

Van Zandt Ave. to America's Cup Blvd.

America's Cup Ave. to Washington St.

Middletown TL to Cul-de-sac

Thames St. to Middletown TL

Admiral Kalbfus Rd. to Newport. Bridge



## **NEW SHOREHAM (BLOCK ISLAND)**

Beach Avenue	Corn Neck Rd. to Center Rd.
Center Road	West Side Road to Lakeside Drive
Chapel Street	Water Street to the Square Deal Garage
Cooneymus Road	West Side Road to Lakeside Drive
Corn Neck Road	Chapel St. to 0.6 miles south of Brush Hill
Dodge Street	Corn Neck Rd. to Water St.
High Street	Water St. to Payne Rd.
Lakeside Drive	Cooneymus Rd. to Mohegan Trail
Mohegan Trail	Lakeside Dr. to Spring St. (south East Light Rd.)
Ocean Avenue	Corn Neck Rd. to New Harbor Dock
Spring Street	High St. to Mohegan Trail
Water Street	Dodge St. to east of Old Harbor Dock
West Side Road	Ocean Ave. to Cooneymus Rd

## NORTH KINGSTOWN

Boston Neck Road (US 1A)	Phillips St. to Narragansett TL
Bridge Road (aka New Road)	Slocum Rd. to Exeter TL
Brown Road (US 1A)	Boston Neck Rd./Phillips Rd. to W. Main Rd.
Davisville Road (Rte. 403)	E. Greenwich TL to School St.
Devil's Foot Road (Rte. 403)	School St. to Post Rd/Roger Williams Way
Exeter Road	Exeter TL to Lafayette Rd.
Ferry Road (aka Saunderstown Road)	Boston Neck Rd. east to end
Frenchtown Road (Rte. 402)	E. Greenwich TL to Post Rd.
Liberty Road	Exeter TL to Slocum Rd.
Namcook Road (Old Post Road)	Devil's Foot Rd. to Post Rd.
Phillips Street (Rte. 102)	Post Rd. to Boston Neck Rd.
Post Road (US 1)	E. Greenwich TL to Huling Rd. (south int)
Quaker Lane (Rte. 2) (aka S. County Trail)	E. Greenwich TL to Rte. 102
Railroad Avenue	Exeter Rd. to Liberty Rd.
Roger Williams Way	Post Rd/Devil's Foot Rd. to Pier
Route 4	E. Greenwich TL to US 1
Route 138	US 1 to Jamestown TL
Slocum Road	Liberty Rd. to Stony Fort Rd.
South County Trail (Rte. 2)	Rte. 102 Ten Rod Rd. to Exeter TL
Ten Rod Road (Rte. 102) (Rte.102/2)	Post Rd. to Rte. 4
Tower Hill Road (US 1) (US 1/Rte.e. 138)	Rte. 4 to S. County Tr/Exeter TL
West Main Street (US 1A)	Huling Rd. to Rte. 138
	Rte. 138 to S. Kingstown TL
	Post Rd. to Brown St.

## **NORTH PROVIDENCE**

Centredale By-Pass (US 44WB)	US 44 to US 44
Charles Street	Providence CL to Rte. 146
Douglas Pike (Rte. 7)	Providence CL to Smithfield TL
High Service Avenue	Smith St. to Smithfield Rd.
Mineral Spring Avenue (Rte. 15)	Centredale Bypass to Pawtucket CL
Route 146	Providence CL to Lincoln TL
Smith Street (US 44)	Providence CL to Johnston TL
Smithfield Road	Providence CL to Mineral Spring Ave.
Waterman Avenue (Rte. 104)	Smith St. (EB) to Smithfield TL
Woonasquatucket Avenue	Smith St. (EB) to Providence CL
(Old) Louisquisset Pike (Rte. 246)	Rte. 146 to Lincoln TL

## **NORTH SMITHFIELD**

Central Avenue

Douglas Pike (Rte. 7)

Farnum Pike (Rte. 104/5)  
(Rte. 104)

Great Road (Rte. 146A)

Ironstone Street (Rte. 146A)

Main Street

North Main Street

North Smithfield Industrial Highway

Old Louisquisset Pike

Providence Pike (Rte. 5)  
Railroad Avenue

Rte. 146 (aka Louisquisset Pike)  
(aka N. Smithfield Exp.)

Rte. 146A (E. Dowling Highway)

Saint Paul Street

Sayles Hill Road

School Street  
(aka Branch River Road)

Steele Street

Victory Highway (Rte. 102)

Great Rd. to Mass SL

Smithfield TL to Burrillville TL

Smithfield TL to Providence Pike  
Providence Pike to Woonsocket CL

Park Ave. to Central St.

Great Rd. to Mass SL

Victory Hwy. To Providence Pike

Main St. to Great Rd.

Providence Pike to Pound Hill to Rte. 146

Loop at Landmark Hospital (off E. Dowling Mem. Hwy.)

Smithfield TL to Great Rd./Victory Hwy.

Lincoln TL to Rte. 146A (E. Dowling Mem. Hwy)  
Rte. 146A to Mass SL

Rte. 146 to Woonsocket CL

Great Rd. to south of Mendon Rd.

Rte. 146 to Cumberland TL

Providence Pike to Great Road

N. Smithfield Ind. Hwy. To end

Burrillville TL to Great Road

## **PAWTUCKET**

Armistice Boulevard (Rte. 15)

Central Avenue/Benefit Street

Dexter Street

Interstate 95

Newport Avenue (US 1A)

Smithfield Avenue (Rte.e.126)

Pawtucket Avenue

York Ave. to Mass SL

Broadway to Mass SL

Goff Ave. to Central Falls CL

Providence CL to Mass SL

E. Providence CL to Mass SL

Providence CL to Lincoln TL

Hillside Avenue to George Street

## **PORTSMOUTH**

Boyd's Lane

Bristol Ferry Road (Rte. 114)

East Main Road (Rte. 138)

Hummocks Avenue

Middle Road

Park Avenue

Point Road

Rte. 24/138

Rte. 24

School House Lane

Sprague Street

Turnpike Road

Union Street

West Main Road (Rte. 114)

Bristol Ferry Rd. to Park Ave.

Bristol TL to West Main Rd./Turnpike Ave.

Rte. 24 to Middletown TL

Rte. 24 to Point Rd. Bridge

Union Ave. to School House Lane

East Main Rd. to Stone Bridge Appr/Point Rd.

Park Ave. to Hummocks Ave.

Tiverton TL to Boyd Lane

Boyd Lane to W. Main Rd.

Middle Rd. to E. Main Rd.

Bristol Ferry Rd/Turnpike Ave. to E. Main Rd.

Bristol Ferry Rd./W. Main Rd. to E. Main Rd.

W. Main Rd. to E. Main Rd.

Bristol Ferry Rd./Turnpike Ave. to Middletown TL

## **PROVIDENCE**

Allens Avenue (US 1A)  
Narragansett Avenue

Cranston CL to Eddy St.

Broad Street (US 1)

Elmwood Ave. to Weybosset St. (Service Rd.)

Elmwood Avenue (US 1)

Cranston CL to Broad St.

Hartford Avenue (US 6A)

US 6 (old Rte. 195) exit ramp outside of Olneyville to  
Johnston TL

I-95

Cranston CL to Pawtucket CL

I-195

I-95 to E. Providence CL

New Red Bridge  
(aka Henderson Bridge)

E. Providence CL to S. Angell St.

Niantic Avenue

Cranston St. to Reservoir Ave.

North Main Street (US 1)

Smith St. to Pawtucket CL

Route 10

Cranston TL to US 6

Route 146

I-95 to N. Providence TL

Smith Street (US 44)

N. Providence TL to N. Main St.

South Main Street/N. Main St.  
(US 44)

Wickenden St./I-195 to Smith St.

US 6

Johnston TL to I-95/Civic Center Interchange



## **RICHMOND**

Alton-Carolina Road (Rte. 91)  
(aka Church St.)

Charlestown TL to Hopkinton TL

I-95

Exeter TL to Hopkinton TL

Kings Factory Road

Alton-Carolina Rd. to Charlestown TL

Kingstown Road (Rte. 138)

S. Kingstown TL to I-95

Main Street (Rte. 138)

I-95 to Hopkinton TL

New Kings Factory Road

Alton-Carolina Rd. to Charlestown TL

Nooseneck Hill Road (Rte. 3)

Exeter TL to Hopkinton TL

Old Switch Road

Switch Rd. to dead end

Richmond Town House Road (Rte. 112)

Kingstown Rd. to Charlestown TL

Shannock Road

Charlestown to Charlestown Loop

South County Trail (Rte. 2)

S. Kingstown TL to Charlestown TL

Switch Road  
(aka Hope Valley Road)

Alton-Carolina Rd. to Hopkinton TL

Old Usquepaug Road (Rte. 138)

Loop at Rte. 138/S. Kingstown TL

Woodville Road

Switch Rd. to Hopkinton TL

## SCITUATE

Bathey Meeting House Road

Central Pike

Chopmist Hill Road (Rte. 102)  
(aka Victory Highway)

Danielson Pike

East Road (Rte. 116)

Elmdale Road

Hartford Pike (US 6/Rte. 101)  
(Rte. 101)

US 6 (Scituate By-Pass)

Old Scituate Avenue

Plainfield Pike (Rte. 14)

Polebridge Road

Rockland Road

Sawmill Road

Scituate Avenue (Rte. 12)

Tunk Hill Road (Rte. 12)

West Greenville Road (Rte. 116)

Winsor Road

Danielson Pike to Central Pike

Bathey Meeting House Rd. to Foster TL

Glocester TL to Plainfield Pike/Rockland Rd.

Hartford Pike (6, 101) to Foster TL

Hartford Pike to Coventry TL

Saw Mill Rd. to Polebridge Rd.

Johnston TL to US 6 Bypass

By-pass to Foster TL

Hartford Pike to Danielson Pike

Scituate Ave. to Tunk Hill Rd. Loop

Johnston TL to Foster TL

Elmdale Rd. to W. Greenville Rd.

Danielson Pike to Victory Highway

Elmdale Rd. to Glocester TL

East Rd. to Cranston TL

East Rd. to Plainfield Pike

Hartford Pike to Glocester TL

Johnston TL to W. Greenville Rd.

## **SMITHFIELD**

Albion Road/Jenckes Hill Road	Lincoln TL to Lincoln TL
Cedar Swamp Road (Rte. 5)	Putnam Pike to Pleasant View Ave.
Dean Avenue	Johnston TL to Old County Road
Douglas Pike (Rte. 7)	N. Providence TL to N. Smithfield TL
Esmond Road	US 44 to Dean Ave.
Farnum Pike (Routes 104)	Esmond St. to Pleasant View Ave.
(Rte. 104/5)	Pleasant View Ave. to N. Smithfield TL
George Washington Highway (116)	Farnum Pike to Lincoln TL
Greenville Avenue	Johnston TL to Putnam Pike
Limerock Road	Douglas Pike NE 1.10 miles (Lincoln TL)
I-295	Lincoln TL to Johnston TL
Old County Road	Dean Ave. to Farnum Pike (104)
Orchard Avenue	Smith Ave (116) to Johnston TL
Pleasant View Avenue (Rte. 116)	Putnam Pike to Cedar Swamp Road
(Rte. 116/5)	Cedar Swamp Rd. to Farnum Pike
Providence Pike	Douglas Pike to N. Smithfield TL
Putnam Pike (US 44)	Johnston TL to Glocester TL
Sanderson Road (Rte. 5)	Johnston TL to Putnam Pike
Smith Avenue (Rte. 116)	Glocester TL to Putnam Pike
Twin River Road	Douglas Pike to Lincoln TL
Waterman Avenue (Rte. 104)	N. Providence TL to Esmond St.
West Greenville Road	Smith Ave. to Putnam Pike (2 pieces)

## SOUTH KINGSTOWN

Bridgetown Road (Rte. 138)

High Street

Kingstown Road (Rte. 138)  
(Rte. 108)

Main Street (Old Post Road)

Ministerial Road (Rte. 110)

Mooresfield Road (Rte. 138)

Old Post Road (US 1A Main Street)

Post Road (US 1)

South County Trail (Rte. 2)

Succotash Road

Tower Hill Road (US 1)

Old Tower Hill Rd.

Usquepaug Road (Rte. 138)

Old Usquepaug Road

Tower Hill Rd. to Narragansett TL

Kingstown Rd. (108) to Main St.

S. County Trail to Mooresfield Rd.  
Mooresfield Rd. to Post Rd. (US 1)

Kingstown Rd. to Old Post Rd.

Kingstown Rd. (138) to Post Rd. (US 1)

Kingstown Rd. to Tower Hill Rd.

Main St. to US 1 Post Road  
US 1 to US 1 (by Rte. 110)  
US 1 to Charlestown TL

Wakefield Exit to Charlestown TL

Exeter TL to Richmond TL

Post Rd. (US 1) to Narragansett TL

N. Kingstown TL to Wakefield Exit

Wakefield Exit to Kingstown Rd. (Dale Carlia Corner)

S. County Tr. to Richmond TL

Rte. 138 at Richmond TL

## **TIVERTON**

Bridgeport Road

Bulgarmarsh Road (Rte. 177)

Crandall Road (Rte. 81)

East Road (Rte. 179)

Evans Avenue

Highland Road

Main Rd. (138)  
(77)

Nannaquaket Road

Old Main Road

Rhode Island Avenue  
(Canning Blvd.)

Riverside Drive

Route 24

Stafford Road (Rte. 81)

Stone Church Road

Highland Rd. to Main Rd.

Main Rd. to Mass SL

Bulgarmarsh Rd. to Little Compton TL

Main Rd. to Crandall Rd.

Riverside Dr. to Main Rd.

Main Rd. to Old Main Rd./Bridgeport. Rd.

Mass SL to Rte. 24  
Rte. 24 to Little Compton TL

Main Rd. north to Main Rd./Bridgeport. Rd.

Main Rd. to Highland Rd./Bridgeport. Rd.

Stafford Rd. to Mass SL

Evans Rd. to Main Rd.

Mass SL to Portsmouth TL

Mass SL to Bulgarmarsh Rd.

East Rd. to Tiverton TL

## **WARREN**

Arlington Avenue (Rte. 136S)

Birch Swamp Road

Child Street (Rte. 103)

Kickemuit Road (Rte. 136)

Main Street (Rte. 103/114)

(Rte. 114)

Market Street (Rte. 136)

Metacom Avenue (Rte. 136)

Old Market Street

School House Road  
(Handy Rd.)

Vernon Street

Kickemuit Rd. to Metacom Ave.

Market St. to School House Rd.

Main St. to Mass SL

Market St. to Metacom Ave.

Barrington TL to Child St.

Child St. to Bristol TL

Mass SL to Kickemuit Rd.  
Kickemuit Rd. to Main St.

Kickemuit Rd. to Bristol TL

Market St. to Market St.

Birch Swamp Rd. to Mass SL

Metacom Ave. to Main St.

## WARWICK

Airport. Connector	I-95 to Post Rd.
Airport. Road	Post Rd. to Warwick Ave.
Bald Hill Road (Rte. 2)	Cranston CL to Quaker Lane
Centerville Road (Rte. 117)	Post Rd. to W. Warwick TL
East Avenue (Rte. 113)	Bald Hill Rd. to Greenwich Ave.
Elmwood Avenue (US 1)	Post Rd. to Cranston CL
Forge Road	Post Rd. to Ives Rd.
Greenwich Avenue (Rte. 5)	I-95 to Centerville Rd.
Ives Road	Forge Rd. to end
I-95	Cranston TL to E. Greenwich TL
I-295	Cranston TL to I-95
Lambert Lind Highway (Rte. 5)	I-95 to Cranston TL
Main Avenue (Rte. 113)	Greenwich Ave. to West Shore Rd.
Narragansett Parkway	Fair St. to Post Rd.
Oakland Beach Avenue	West Shore Rd. to Warwick Ave.
Old Greenwich Avenue	Lambert. Lind Hwy to Lambert. Lind Hwy
Post Road (US 1A) (US 1)	Narragansett Pkwy to Warwick Ave. Warwick Ave. to Elmwood Ave. Elmwood Ave. to E. Greenwich TL
Post Road Extension	Main Ave. to Post Rd.
Quaker Lane (Rte. 2)	Centerville Rd. (W. War. TL) to E. Greenwich TL
Route 37	Cranston CL to Post Rd.
Route 4	I-95 to E. Greenwich TL



## **WARWICK CONT'D**

Veteran's Memorial Highway (Rte.1, 117)	Post Rd. to Greenwich Ave.
Warwick Avenue (Rte. 117)	Cranston CL to Airport. Rd.
(Rte. 117A)	Airport. Rd. to West Shore Rd.
Warwick Industrial Drive	Main Ave. north .57 miles
West Natick Road	Bald Hill Rd. to Lambert. Lind Highway
West Shore Road (Rte. 117)	Warwick Ave/Airport. Rd. to Post Rd.

## WESTERLY

Airport. Road	Post Rd. to Winnapaug Rd.
Beach Street (US 1A)	Clarke St. to Watch Hill Rd./East Ave.
Broad Street (US 1)	Conn. SL to Elm St.
Dunn's Corner-Bradford Road	Post Rd. to Westerly-Bradford Rd. (91)
East Avenue	Watch Hill Rd. to Franklin St./Post Rd.
Franklin Street (US 1)	Airport. Rd. to East Ave.
Granite Street (US 1)	East Ave. to Elm St.
Grove Street (Rte. 3)	Granite St. to Oak St.
High Street (Rte. 3)	Oak St. to Nooseneck Hill Rd.
Langworthy Road	Post Rd. to Shore Rd.
Main Street (Rte. 91, 216)	Westerly-Bradford Rd./Church St. to Riverside Dr.
Nooseneck Hill Rd. (Rte. 3) (aka Ash away Rd.)	Hopkinton TL to High St./Upper High St.
Post Road (US 1)	Charlestown TL to Airport. Rd.
Potter Hill Road	Upper High St. to Hopkinton TL
Riverside Drive	Westerly-Bradford Rd./Main St. to Hopkinton TL
Ross Hill Road./Church Street (Rte. 216)	Charlestown TL to Westerly-Bradford Rd/Main St.
Route 78	Post Rd. to Conn SL
Shore Road (US 1A)	Watch Hill Rd. to Post Rd.
Tower Street (Rte. 91)	Oak St. to Granite St.
Upper High Street	Nooseneck Hill Rd. to Potter Hill Rd.
Watch Hill Road (US 1A)	East Ave. to Watch Hill (Ninigret Ave.)
Westerly-Bradford Road (Rte. 91)	Main St./Church St. to Tower St./Oak St.
Winnapaug Road	Watch Hill Rd. to Shore Rd.

## **WEST GREENWICH**

Division Road (Rte. 410)

Escoheag Hill Road

I-95

Lake Shore Drive

Nooseneck Hill Road (Rte. 3)

Town Hall Road

Victory Highway (Rte. 102)

Weaver Hill Road/  
Big River Access Road

E. Greenwich TL to Nooseneck Hill Rd.

Exeter TL to Picnic Area Parking Lot

E. Greenwich TL to Exeter TL

Lake Dr. to Maccue Point Rd.

Coventry TL to Exeter TL

Loop at Rte. 3

Coventry TL to Exeter TL

Rte. 3 to end

## **WEST WARWICK**

Cowesett Avenue (Rte. 3)

East Main Street

Fairview Avenue

Legion Way

Legris Avenue (Rte.117)

Main Street (Rte. 115)

Main Street (Rte. 33)

Main Street (Rte. 3)

Pike Street

Providence Street (Rte. 33)  
(Rte. 115, 33)  
(Rte. 33)

Roberts Street

Tiogues Avenue (Rte. 3)

Veteran's Square (Rte. 117)

Washington Street (Rte. 33)

West Warwick Avenue (Rte. 117)

Warwick TL to Main St.

Main St. to Providence St.

Coventry TL to Main St. (115)

Roberts St/Main St. to Providence St./Main St.

Warwick CL to Veteran's Square

Coventry TL to E. Main St.

E. Main St. to Providence St.

Providence St. to Washington St./Main St.

Cowesett Rd. to Tiogues Rd./New London Turnpike

E. Main St. to Main St.

Cranston CL to Tollgate Rd.

Tollgate Rd. to E. Main St.

E. Main St. to Main St.

Washington St. to Main St. (non-state)

Main St./New London Turnpike to Coventry TL

Legris Ave. to W. Warwick Ave.

Main St. to Coventry TL

Veteran's Square to Washington St.

## **WOONSOCKET**

Cumberland Hill Rd. (Rte. 122)

Diamond Hill Road (Rte. 114)

Manville Road

Mendon Road (Rte. 122)

Great Road (Rte. 146 A)

Mendon Rd. to Hamlet Ave.

Cumberland TL to Mass SL

N. Smithfield TL to Hamlet Ave.

Cumberland TL to Cumberland Hill Rd.  
Cumberland Hill Rd. to Mass SL

Park Ave. to Smithfield Line

# EXHIBIT A1

## **EXHIBIT A1**

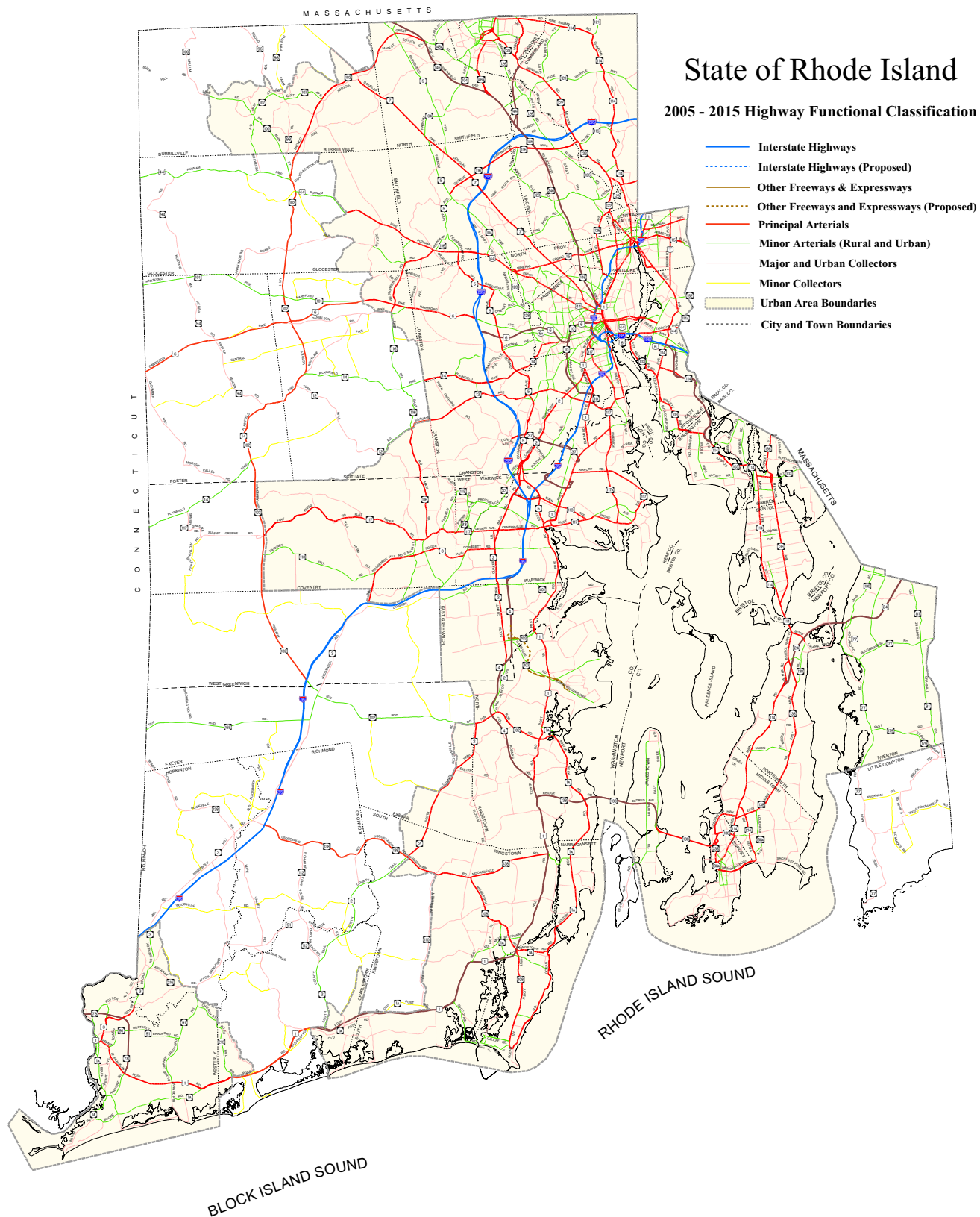
### **Interstate Systems or Highways Built to National System of Interstate or Defense Highway Standards**

<b>I-95</b>	<b>CT S/L to MA S/L</b>
<b>I-195</b>	<b>I-95 to MA S/L</b>
<b>I-295</b>	<b>I-95 to MA S/L</b>
<b>Route 1</b>	<b>Prosser Trail to Wakefield Cut-Off</b>
<b>Route 4</b>	<b>Route 138 to I-95</b>
<b>Route 6</b>	<b>Route 102 to Route 101</b>
<b>Route 6</b>	<b>I-295 to I-95</b>
<b>Route 10</b>	<b>Park Avenue to Route 6</b>
<b>Route 24</b>	<b>Route 114 to MA S/L</b>
<b>Route 37</b>	<b>Natick Avenue to Post Road</b>
<b>Route 78</b>	<b>Route 1 to CT S/L</b>
<b>Route 99</b>	<b>Route 146 to Mendon Road</b>
<b>Route 114</b>	<b>I-195 to Forbes Street</b>
<b>Route 138</b>	<b>Route 1 to Admiral Kalbfus Road</b>
<b>Route 146</b>	<b>I-95 to Reservoir Road</b>
<b>Route 146</b>	<b>Route 146A to MA S/L</b>
<b>Airport Connector</b>	<b>I-95 to Post Road</b>
<b>Red Bridge Extension (Henderson Bridge)</b>	<b>Waterman Street to Taunton Avenue</b>

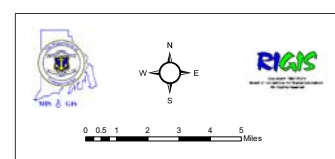
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As approved by the Technical Committee of the  
State Planning Council On June 12, 2003



# EXHIBIT C

In order to promote the safety, convenience and enjoyment of public travel and the free flow of interstate commerce, and to protect the public investment in the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, hereinafter referred to as the "Interstate System", the United States of America represented by the Secretary of Commerce acting through the Federal Highway Administrator, hereinafter referred to as the "Administrator", and the State of Rhode Island acting through its Department of Public Works, Division of Roads and Bridges, hereinafter referred to as the "State", have entered into this Agreement.

I. DEFINITIONS.

A. The term "Act" means section 131 of title 23, United States Code (1958), as amended, 23 U.S.C. § 131 (Supp. III, 1961).

B. The term "National Standards" means the National Standards for Regulation by States of Outdoor Advertising Signs, Displays and Devices Adjacent to the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways promulgated by the Secretary of Commerce pursuant to the Act, 23 C.F.R. Part 20 (Supp. 1962).

C. Unless the context requires otherwise, the terms used herein shall have the same meaning as in the Act and the National Standards.

II. SCOPE OF AGREEMENT.

Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, this Agreement shall apply to all areas adjacent to, and within 660 feet of the edge of the right-of-way of all portions of the Interstate System within the State, the entire width of the right-of-way for which has been acquired after July 1, 1956, or may be acquired in the future. Such areas, not specifically exempted by the terms of this Agreement, are designated as "Adjacent Areas".

Neither this Agreement nor the National Standards shall apply to areas zoned commercial or industrial which are adjacent to segments of the Interstate System if those areas are within the September 21, 1959 boundaries of an incorporated municipality which has the authority to control or regulate the use of real property adjacent to the Interstate System, nor to areas outside the aforementioned boundaries of incorporated municipalities if the land use on September 21, 1959 of such areas was clearly established by State law as commercial or industrial.

### III. THE STATE'S OBLIGATION.

The State shall, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, control, or cause to be controlled, the erection and maintenance of outdoor advertising signs, displays and devices in Adjacent Areas consistent with the terms of the Act and the National Standards. Nothing contained herein shall prohibit the State from controlling or regulating outdoor advertising signs to a degree greater than that required or contemplated by the Act and the National Standards.

### IV. INCREASE IN FEDERAL SHARE PAYABLE.

When sufficient funds are appropriated and available for that purpose, the Federal share payable on account of any segment of the Interstate System provided for by sums authorized under Section 108 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1956, as amended, to which the National Standards and this Agreement apply, shall be increased by one-half of one percent of the total cost thereof, subject to the condition that no additional cost incurred in carrying out this Agreement shall be included in that total cost upon which the increased share is calculated.

### V. PAYMENT UPON EVIDENCE OF THE STATE'S COMPLIANCE.

Payment of the increased Federal share will be made by the Administrator with respect to an Interstate segment upon the submission by the State to the Administrator of a satisfactory showing that the State has fulfilled its obligations

under this Agreement in connection with that segment, and that the State is continuing to carry out its obligations hereunder with respect to all other segments of the Interstate System to which this Agreement applies.

With the first request for payment of the increased Federal share the State will submit detailed maps in triplicate showing those portions of the Interstate System within its borders which have been completed to that date. The maps shall clearly indicate by means of color coding the portions of the Interstate System to which the national standards and this Agreement apply and those portions which are excluded from such application. As other segments of the Interstate System are completed or added to the Interstate System, additional maps, similarly color coded, will be submitted showing the segments to which the National Standards and this Agreement apply.

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VI. REMOVAL OF ADVERTISING SIGNS, DISPLAYS OR DEVICES.

A. No outdoor advertising sign, display, or device which is inconsistent with the Act or the National Standards shall be allowed to remain after July 1, 1964, in an Adjacent Area if the segment of the Interstate System involved were either completed to the geometric and design standards adopted for the Interstate System before or on July 1, 1961, or under contract for completion to such standards on that date.

B. No outdoor advertising sign, display, or device which is inconsistent with the Act or the National Standards shall be allowed to remain in an Adjacent Area after the date upon which the State highway department accepts, as completed, the Interstate segment involved, if a contract were awarded after July 1, 1961, for the completion of such segment to the geometric and design standards approved for the Interstate System.

C. No part of the increased Federal share payable under the Act shall be paid on account of an Adjacent Area until outdoor advertising control in such area complies completely with the National Standards.

VII. FAILURE OF THE STATE TO PERFORM ITS OBLIGATIONS ASSUMED HEREUNDER.

If, after receiving the increased Federal payments with regard to an Adjacent Area, the State shall fail to perform its obligations assumed under this Agreement in conjunction with that area, the State agrees that, if without good cause shown to the satisfaction of the Administrator, it fails to correct the defect within 30 days after the date of mailing by the Administrator of written notice thereof, it shall repay all increased Federal payments paid on account of such area. If such repayment is not made within a reasonable time, the State authorizes the Administrator to withhold from the State ~~an amount equal to such payments out of any Federal aid highway funds due or that may become due to the State.~~

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement if the failure of the State to perform any obligation assumed hereunder is caused by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction or by a ruling of the Attorney General of the State that the State is without legal authority to perform that obligation, the State shall not be required to repay all increased Federal payments made under this Agreement until 90 days have elapsed after the adjournment of the State legislative session next following such declaration or ruling.

VIII. REPAYMENT NECESSITATED BY CHANGES IN ZONING WITHIN INCORPORATED MUNICIPALITIES.

When an Adjacent Area within the boundaries of an incorporated municipality possessing authority to control the use of real property adjacent to the Interstate System, as those boundaries existed on September 21, 1959, is rezoned as commercial or industrial, the National Standards and this Agreement shall no longer apply thereto. The State agrees

that it shall repay all increased Federal payments paid on account of such area. If such repayment is not made within 30 days after it is requested, the State expressly authorizes the Administrator to withhold from the State an amount equal to such payments made out of any Federal-aid highway funds due or that may become due to the State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of June 28, 1963.

Witness:  
*Alfred M. Silvestri*  
*J. W. Stet*

State of Rhode Island  
 Department of Public Works  
 Division of Roads and Bridges

By *Angelo G. Marcello*

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
 BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS

By *Leah M. Hutton*

# **EXHIBIT D**



# **TITLE 24**

## **Highways**

### **CHAPTER 24-10.1**

#### **Outdoor Advertising**

##### **SECTION 24-10.1-1**

**§ 24-10.1-1 Declaration of policy.** – In order to prevent unreasonable distraction of operators of motor vehicles, to prevent confusion with respect to compliance with traffic lights, signs, signals and regulations, to promote the safety, convenience, and enjoyment of travel upon highways within this state and to protect the public investment therein, to preserve and enhance the natural scenic beauty or aesthetic features of the highways and adjacent areas, and in the general welfare of the people of this state, the general assembly declares it to be the policy of this state that the erection and maintenance of outdoor advertising in areas adjacent to the rights-of-way of the interstate, primary, secondary road systems within this state shall be regulated in accordance with the terms of this chapter and the regulations promulgated by the director of transportation pursuant thereto and finds that all outdoor advertising which does not conform to the requirements of this chapter is a public nuisance. It is the intention of the general assembly in this chapter to provide a statutory basis for regulation of outdoor advertising consistent with the public policy relating to areas adjacent to the interstate and primary highway systems as declared by congress in title 23 of the United States Code, Highways. Further, the general assembly declares the policy also to regulate other roads within the state.

# **TITLE 24**

## **Highways**

### **CHAPTER 24-10.1**

#### **Outdoor Advertising**

##### **SECTION 24-10.1-2**

**§ 24-10.1-2 Definitions.** – As used in this chapter:

(1) "Information center" means an area or site established and maintained as safety rest areas for the purpose of informing the public of places of interest within the state and providing such other information as the director of transportation may consider desirable.

(2) "Interstate system" means that portion of the national system of interstate and defense highways located within this state, as officially designated, or as may hereafter be so designated, by the director of transportation, and approved pursuant to the provisions of title 23, United States Code, Highways.

(3) "Maintenance" means the normal repair of outdoor advertising due to wear and tear. Maintenance shall not include the relocation nor the increase of advertisement size nor height. Maintenance shall not permit any alterations such as the addition of face lighting nor lit panels, moving parts, sparkling surfaces, cutouts nor temporary extensions of advertising space.

(ii) Maintenance shall permit the change in the advertisement copy by means of trivision technology or other equivalent technology approved by the department of transportation and, if necessary, the federal highway administration; provided, however, for each sign using such technology two (2) valid permits for signs of equivalent size shall be required. Provided, further, however, that in the event that a person, firm or corporation does not hold more than one permit, only one permit for signs of equivalent size shall be required.

(4) "Outdoor advertising" means an outdoor sign, display, light, device, figure, painting, drawing, message, plaque, poster, billboard, structure, or other thing which is designed, intended or used to advertise or inform, any part of the advertising or information contents of which is visible from any place on the main-traveled way of the interstate, primary, or secondary systems.

(5) "Primary systems" means that portion of connected main highways, as officially designated, or as may hereafter be so designated, by the director of transportation, pursuant to the provisions of title 23, United States Code, Highways.

(6) "Safety rest area" means an area or site established and maintained within or adjacent to the right-of-way by or under public supervision or control, for the convenience of the traveling public.

(7) "Secondary systems" means that portion of state maintained roads that are neither interstate nor primary roads.

# **TITLE 24**

## **Highways**

### **CHAPTER 24-10.1**

#### **Outdoor Advertising**

##### **SECTION 24-10.1-3**

**§ 24-10.1-3 Limitations of outdoor advertising devices.** – No outdoor advertising shall be erected in this state except the following:

(1) Directional and other official signs and notices erected, maintained, or authorized by a public agency or body, which signs and notices shall include, but not be limited to, signs and notices pertaining to natural wonders and scenic and historic attractions, as authorized or required by law.

(2) Signs, displays, and devices advertising the sale or lease of property upon which they are located, subject, however, to the national standards as promulgated pursuant to the federal Highway Beautification Act of 1965.

(3) Signs, displays, and devices advertising activities conducted on the property upon which they are located, subject, however, to the national standards as promulgated pursuant to the federal Highway Beautification Act of 1965 including spacing requirements of the Rhode Island department of transportation rules and regulations governing outdoor advertising, except for signs that are allowed to be relocated as permitted in subsection (5).

(4) Bus shelters erected under the authority of the state department of transportation or Rhode Island public transit authority which shall be permitted no more than one two (2) sided sign. Each sign face shall be no more than twenty-four (24) square feet in size.

(5) Lawfully permitted signs, displays, and devices already in existence may be relocated to other permitted locations with the approval of the appropriate governmental agency(s), provided that the relocated outdoor advertising remains the same or smaller in size, and that such outdoor advertising conforms and is consistent with the municipal comprehensive plan and related zoning requirements.

(6) This chapter shall not preclude the maintenance of existing outdoor advertising.

# **TITLE 24**

## **Highways**

### **CHAPTER 24-10.1**

#### **Outdoor Advertising**

##### **SECTION 24-10.1-4**

**§ 24-10.1-4 Regulation of advertising.** – The director of transportation is hereby authorized to promulgate regulations governing the issuance of permits for the erection and maintenance of outdoor advertising coming within the exceptions contained in subsections (1), (4) and (5) of § 24-10.1-3 consistent with the safety and welfare of the traveling public, and as may be necessary to carry out the policy of the state declared in this chapter, and consistent with the national standards promulgated by the secretary of commerce pursuant to title 23, United States Code. All permit fees collected pursuant to regulations promulgated under this section shall be deposited in the intermodal surface transportation fund.

# **TITLE 24**

## **Highways**

### **CHAPTER 24-10.1**

#### **Outdoor Advertising**

##### **SECTION 24-10.1-5**

**§ 24-10.1-5 Removal of nonconforming advertising.** – Any sign, display, or device lawfully in existence along the interstate system or the primary system on May 6, 1966 and which is not in conformity with the provisions contained in this chapter shall not be required to be removed until July 1, 1970. Any other sign, display, or device lawfully erected which does not conform to this chapter shall not be required to be removed until the end of the fifth year after it becomes nonconforming.

# **TITLE 24**

## **Highways**

### **CHAPTER 24-10.1**

#### **Outdoor Advertising**

##### **SECTION 24-10.1-6**

**§ 24-10.1-6 Compensation for removal of advertising.** – (a) Any person, firm, association, or corporation having any property interest either in any real property upon which is located any prohibited advertising sign, display, or device, or having any property interest in any prohibited advertising sign, display, or device, or having any property interest in both, shall be justly compensated by the director of transportation for any damages sustained by reason of the removal of the following prohibited advertising signs, displays, and devices:

(1) Those lawfully in existence as of May 6, 1966.

(2) Those lawfully on any highway made a part of the interstate or primary system on or after May 6, 1966 and before January 1, 1968.

(3) Those lawfully erected on or after January 1, 1968.

(b) Compensation is authorized to be paid only for the following:

(1) The taking, by virtue of the enactment of this chapter, from the owner of a prohibited sign, display or device of all right, title, leasehold, and interest in the sign, display or device; and

(2) The taking, by virtue of the enactment of this chapter, from the owner of the real property on which the prohibited sign, display, or device is located, of the right to erect and maintain such signs, displays, and devices thereon.

(c) Any person or party so entitled to compensation who cannot agree with the director of transportation as to the amount of just compensation to which he or she is so entitled, by virtue of the enactment of this chapter, may within one year from the time that the removal of such advertising is required apply for the damages to the superior court in accordance with the procedures of §§ 37-6-18 through 37-6-23.

# **TITLE 24**

## **Highways**

### **CHAPTER 24-10.1**

#### **Outdoor Advertising**

##### **SECTION 24-10.1-7**

**§ 24-10.1-7 Unlawful advertising.** – Any advertising device which violates the provisions of this chapter is hereby declared to be a public nuisance. The director of transportation shall give thirty (30) days' notice, by certified mail, postage prepaid, to the owner of the land on which the advertising device is located to remove the device if it is a prohibited device or cause it to conform to regulations if it is an authorized device. If the owner of the property fails to act within thirty (30) days as required in the notice, the director of transportation, or any of the director's authorized subordinates, may enter upon the real property where the outdoor advertising is located and abate and remove it.

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#### **Outdoor Advertising**

##### **SECTION 24-10.1-8**

**§ 24-10.1-8 Penalty.** – Any person, firm, corporation, or association who shall violate any of the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than five hundred dollars (\$500).



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##### **SECTION 24-10.1-9**

**§ 24-10.1-9 Interpretation.** – (a) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to abrogate or affect the provisions of any lawful ordinance, regulation or resolution, which are more restrictive than the provisions of this chapter.

(b) Nothing in this chapter shall be interpreted in any way to show a preference for commercial copy over any other lawful noncommercial message.

# **TITLE 24**

## **Highways**

### **CHAPTER 24-10.1**

#### **Outdoor Advertising**

##### **SECTION 24-10.1-10**

**§ 24-10.1-10 Advertising in safety rest areas.** – In order to provide information in the specific interest of the traveling public, the director of transportation is hereby authorized to maintain maps and to permit informational directories and advertising pamphlets to be made available at safety rest areas, and to establish information centers at safety rest areas for the purpose of informing the public of places of interest within the state and providing such other information as may be considered desirable.

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## **Highways**

### **CHAPTER 24-10.1**

#### **Outdoor Advertising**

##### **SECTION 24-10.1-11**

**§ 24-10.1-11 Agreements with the United States authorized.** – The director of transportation is hereby authorized to enter into agreements with the United States secretary of commerce as provided by title 23, United States Code, relating to the control of outdoor advertising in areas adjacent to the interstate and primary systems, including the establishment of information centers at safety rest areas, and to take action in the name of the state to comply with the terms of such an agreement.

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## **Highways**

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##### **SECTION 24-10.1-12**

**§ 24-10.1-12 Severability.** – If any section, clause, or provision of this chapter shall be held either unconstitutional or ineffective in whole or in part, to the extent that it is not unconstitutional or ineffective, it shall be valid and effective and no other section, clause or provision shall on account thereof be termed invalid or ineffective.