TRAFFIC NOTES

TRENCHING / EXCAVATING

The following notes shall apply to excavation of trench or pits that are located in the
pavement or are within 15 (15) feet of the edge of roadway:
1) Trench walls shall not be closer than three (3) feet from the edge of the traveled way at
any stage of construction.
2) Traffic control devices shall be in place before starting any excavation.
3) Trenches or pits will not be permitted to be bridged by steel plates and open to traffic
unless they are temporarily backfilled to finished street grade.
4) For pits or trenches along or in a roadway that are going to be left open over night
that are zero to four (4) feet in length, the following applies: GUARD RAIL OR CONCRETE
BARRIER SHALL BE USED.
5) For pits or trenches along or in roadway that are going to be left open over night and
are longer than 40 feet in length, CONCRETE BARRIERS MUST BE USED.
6) Plastic construction fencing shall be required for any trench or pit long open over night.
7) When using any guardrail or concrete barrier, proper and must be used as per the
REASALS T.O.C.
8) For vertical drop-offs greater than two (2) feet along roadway, low profile concrete with
appropriate and protection must be installed.
9) All concrete barriers placed on Public R.O.W. shall be low profile. No high profile barriers
will be allowed.

REFLECTIVE SHEETING

The reflectorized white and reflectorized orange stripes for channeling devices such as
barricade drums and vertical panels shall be constructed of reflective sheeting meeting the
color and retro-reflectivity requirements of high intensity, unless otherwise specified in the plans.

MAINTENANCE

1) All traffic signs shall be kept in proper position, clean and legible at all times. Damaged
barricades, signs, and other traffic control devices shall be replaced without undue delay.
2) To ensure adequate maintenance, a suitable schedule for inspection, cleaning, and
replacement of barricades, lights, and signs shall be established.
3) Special attention and necessary action shall be taken to see that weeds, trees, shrubbery
and construction materials do not obscure the face of any sign or barricade.

TRAINING

Each person whose actions affect maintenance and construction zone safety, from the
upper-level management personnel through construction and maintenance fringe personnel,
shall receive training appropriate to the job position each individual is required to make.
Only those individuals who are qualified by means of adequate training in safe traffic control
practices and have a basic understanding of the principles established by applicable standards
and regulations, including those of the TEXAS MUTCD, should supervise the selection,
placement, and maintenance of traffic control devices in maintenance and construction areas.

SPECIAL EVENTS BARRICADE

All Type I, (8') barricades used for special events (Dome, Runs, Walks, Parades etc.) shall be a
minimum of 42' high and 96' wide. Any necessary signs will require proper sign stands.

USE OF CITY R.O.W.

The City of San Antonio reserves the right to allow contracting and barricading sub-contractors
to use the City's R.O.W. The City also reserves the right to advise contractors and barricading
sub-contractors to remove stored or unused traffic control devices from the City of San Antonio
R.O.W. If the barricading sub-contractor's responsibility to remove any traffic control device
from City's R.O.W. when instructed to do so by a City representative.