ESCALATION OF WARNING SIGNS



Warning Signs are designed to warn road users of an upcoming hazard requiring caution.

They are diamond shaped, with a black graphic illustrating the hazard on a yellow background, and can warn of a range of upcoming hazards such as blind crest, dip, steep descent, T-intersection, traffic lights, tight curve, narrow bridge, road hump, pedestrian crossing, or series of bends.

In the case where the warning sign is not effective in adequately notifying the road user of the upcoming hazard, the following steps can be taken to better attract the attention of the road user.

4 Steps to escalation of Warning Signs

STEP 1

Use a larger size sign or duplicate the sign on both sides of the road. There are four sizes (A to D) to choose from:



STEP 2

Add a supplementary plate underneath the sign

STEP 3

Put the sign assembly on a large coloured background, yellow or red are preferred. Some States also use a white or green background.

STEP 4

Install flashing yellow lights above the sign assembly

References: Australian Standard AS 1742 Part 2 Traffic control devices for general useAustroads Guide to Traffic Management Part 10 Transport Control - Types of Device

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STEP 1

PREPARE

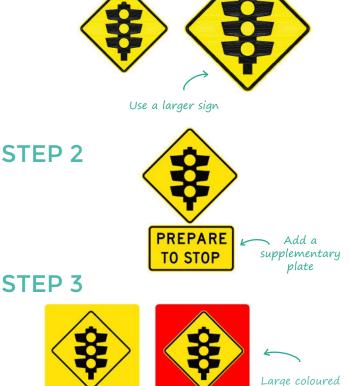
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STEP 4

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background, red

or yellow

Alternating flashing yellow lights

> PREPARE TO STOP