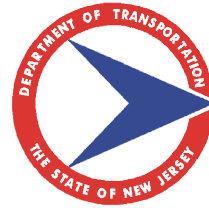


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**Baseline Document Change Announcement**

**Traffic Control Devices  
NCHRP-350 Compliance**

**BDC03S-04**

**July 7, 2003**

**SUBJECT: Revision to the English and Metric Units 2001 Standard Specifications, Subsection 617.03-Traffic Control Devices**

**REFERENCE: Revision to 2001 Standard Roadway Construction Detail, CD-617-1, BDC03D-01 dated July 8, 2003.**

Subsection 617.03 as it appears in the Standard Inputs (SI 2001E1 and SI 2001M1) has been revised to include a chart listing various categories of traffic control devices and their respective compliance with the NCHRP-350 crash test requirements. Also included is a web site address where information on NCHRP-350 compliant devices can be found.

The following revision has been incorporated in the Standard Inputs SI 2001E1 and SI 2001M1 dated July 7, 2003.

**SECTION 617 - TRAFFIC CONTROL**

**617.03 Traffic Control Devices.**

THE FOLLOWING IS ADDED TO THE FIRST PARAGRAPH:

Traffic Control devices shall be NCHRP-350 crash test compliant by the NJDOT implementation dates stated in the table below and shall be duly certified, if necessary.

<b>Traffic Control Device Category</b>	<b>Commonly used NJDOT Traffic Control Devices</b>	<b>AASHTO/FHWA implementation date for newly purchased Devices</b>	<b>NJDOT implementation date for newly purchased Devices</b>	<b>NJDOT deadline By which devices must be NCHRP-350 compliant</b>
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1	Traffic cones, drums and delineator guide posts	10/1/1998	1/1/2003	8/15/2003
2	Vertical panel, portable sign supports, and type III barricades	10/1/2000	1/1/2003	8/15/2003
3	Truck mounted attenuators and traffic barriers-impact attenuators (crash cushions), barrier terminals, and longitudinal barriers	10/01/1998 attenuators 10/01/2002 temporary barriers	10/01/1998	3/15/2005
4	Portable, usually trailer-mounted, devices such as lighting supports, flashing arrows panels, temporary traffic signals, and changeable message signs used in or adjacent to the traveled way	to be announced	6/15/2005	6/15/2007

Note: Resident Engineer's approval shall be obtained to use traffic control devices that are certified NCHRP 350 compliant, but not listed in the table.

Newly purchased devices shall be NCHRP-350 compliant. A list of NCHRP 350 compliant and FHWA approved devices can be found at:

[http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/safety/fourthlevel/pro\\_res\\_road\\_nchrp350.htm](http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/safety/fourthlevel/pro_res_road_nchrp350.htm)

NCHRP-350 non-compliant, yet adequately serviceable category 3 traffic control devices, such as truck-mounted attenuators (TMA) purchased prior to 10/01/1998, will be allowed to be used until March 15<sup>th</sup> 2005 upon submitting new- purchase documentation to the Resident Engineer.

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