

Community Attractions and Facility Sign (Small Communities < 25,000 Population)

Small communities with population less than 25,000 (but greater than 100) are permitted to erect a sign at their highway entrance or at their highway access, depicting the significant attractions and facilities within their community. The community administration chooses which attractions and facilities will represent their community. The Community Attractions and Facility Sign consists of a blue panel where up to four (4) attractions may be displayed, representing the main attractions within the community that visitors should see while visiting. Examples may include historic sites, unique displays (world's largest egg), cultural centers, significant tours, etc.

Small communities have the option to place up to six (6) general facility tabs, blue in colour, to represent the facilities available within the community. Facilities that are displayed are generally public or community oriented in nature (example; community recreation centre). Police (blue) and hospital (green) service symbols must be shown on the sign if they exist within the community, and Alberta Transportation will provide the hospital and police service symbols at no cost. The community may choose the remaining facilities to be displayed on the sign. A blue "All Services" panel may be used in lieu of the six facility tabs, if the community has the following services available: Hospital, Police, Information, Gas, Food, Lodging, Camping, Propane, and Trailer Dump.

Where Logo Signs are placed on the highway, the Community Attractions and Facility Sign is placed immediately upstream of the Logo Signs to indicate the name of the community in which motorists can expect the gas, food and lodging services displayed on the Logo Signs.

Community Attraction and Facility Signs may be placed on any highway, 1 km in advance of the community limits. If placement is difficult due to the abundance of signs in the entrance area, the sign may be placed 2 km in advance of the community.

Community Attraction and Facility Signs may be placed on major highways in advance of a community access, for communities within 8 km of a major highway. Signage is only permitted on the closest major highway in these cases.

Supplementary TODS Sign Placement Within Communities

Communities may request supplementary signs for services/attractions within their respective community. Typically these supplementary signs are the Type C sign configuration displaying the appropriate IC symbol with a directional arrow. Where a provincial highway enters the community, Police, Hospital, Tourist Information facilities and tourist attractions displayed on the middle panel board of the CAF sign would qualify for supplementary signage along the provincial highway right of way within the community at the intersection leading to the facility.

Supplementary signs will also be permitted for stand-alone facilities (mainly of interest to tourists and unfamiliar drivers) that request directional guidance. The location of this facility

shall not be visible from the highway. Supplementary signs will be restricted to the intended facilities on the symbol panel board and tourist attractions displayed on the middle panel board of the Community Attractions and Facility (CAF) sign. If the CAF sign contains an “All Services” panel, there is no limit to the number of qualifying facility types. The eligible facilities will be restricted to the approved symbols/services found in the Alberta Transportation sign catalogue of highway signs. The local municipality and/or attraction owner will be the applicant for all the supplementary sign requests.

Approvals for the supplementary signs will follow the Tourism Highway Signage Program process. As per normal, operational and safety issues will need to be addressed/reviewed prior to any approvals being issued. In the areas where the placement of TODS causes an operational or safety problem, as determined by the District Operations Manager, the sign will not be permitted, or the request will be placed on hold until the operational or safety problem can be resolved.

Businesses qualifying for signage under the Logos program will not be eligible for supplementary signs.

Tourist Areas

Currently, there are 23 Tourist Destination Marketing Organizations (DMO's) in Alberta whose key role is to market tourism in their area. Each DMO has distinct tourist attractions and facilities within their area that are actively marketed through tourism publications and travel brochures.

Blue signs will be permitted within the highway right-of-way on major highways at each entrance into the Destination Marketing Organization area, welcoming travelers who are entering this new tourist area. Tourist area signs will also be permitted signifying other government recognized tourist areas in the province.

SIGN DETAILS



* Dimensions shown are in millimetres

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MESSAGE PANEL:

- Legend: 150 mm Series D – White (Use Series C to condense long messages)
- Background: blue
- Border: 15 mm edge – White (outside perimeter)
10 mm line – White (inside vertical lines)
- Symbols: 600 mm x 600 mm
- Sheeting: Type III Retro-Reflective Sheeting on all surfaces

STRUCTURE:

- Substrate: Extruded Aluminum Panels
- Supports: As Needed

NO.	REVISION	BY	DATE
Approved:			
Director of Highway Operations			
Date: Dec. 18, 2003			
TODS (Regular Attraction) For Conventional Highways			
Prepared By: S.L.	Checked By: R.D.	Scale: None	TCS-A-501.3



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SIGN DETAILS

LETTERS (MAIN): 200 mm Series E(m) (Use Series D to condense long messages)

LETTERS (DIRECTION): 150 mm Series E(m)

BORDER: 15 mm edge

COLOUR: Message – white
 Border – white
 Background – blue

SUBSTRATE: Extruded Aluminum Panels

SIGN FACE: Type III High Intensity Retro-Reflective Sheeting

SUPPORTS: As Needed

NO.	REVISION	BY	DATE
Approved:			
Director of Highway Operations			
Date: Nov. 24, 2003			
TODS Sign (Major Attraction) for Conventional Highways			
Prepared By: S.L.	Checked By: R.D.	Scale: None	TCS-A-502.1



* Dimensions shown are in millimetres

SIGN DETAILS

UPPER PANEL:

Legend: 325 mm Series E(m) - White (Use 250 mm letter height to condense long messages)
 Background: green
 Border: 38 mm edge - White
 Sheeting: Type III Retro-Reflective Sheeting on all surfaces

MIDDLE PANEL:

Legend: 200 mm Series D – White (Use Series C to condense long messages)
 Background: blue
 Border: 15 mm edge - White
 Sheeting: Type III Retro-Reflective Sheeting on all surfaces

SYMBOLS:

Size: 600 mm x 600 mm (maximum 6 symbols)
 Legend: white symbol
 Background: blue (except green for hospital and airport)
 Border: 10 mm border - white (inset 10 mm from edge)
 Sheeting: Type III Retro-Reflective Sheeting on all surfaces

STRUCTURE:

Substrate: Extruded Aluminum Panels
 Supports: As Needed

NO.	REVISION	BY	DATE
Approved:			
Director of Highway Operations			
Date: Dec. 17, 2003		Community Facilities / Attractions Sign (Four Attractions)	
Prepared By: S.L.	Checked By: R.D.	Scale: None	TCS-A-503.5



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SIGN DETAILS

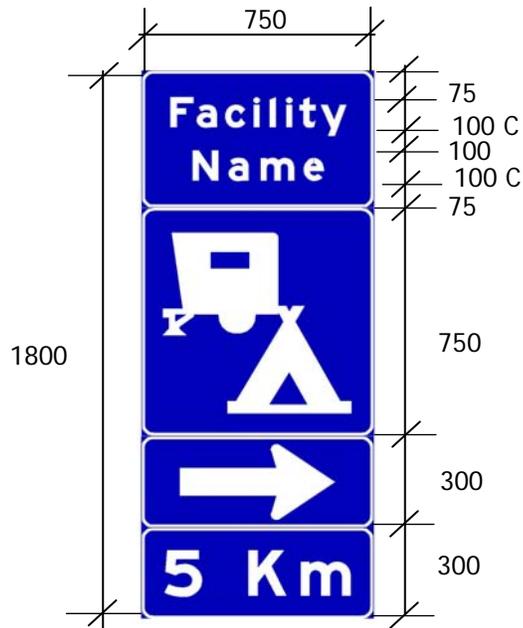
MESSAGE PANEL:

- Primary Message: 200 mm Series D – White (Use Series C to condense long messages)
- Secondary Message: 150 mm Series D – White
- Horizontal Line: 10 mm thickness
- Background: blue
- Border: 38 mm edge – White (outside perimeter)
- Corner: 25 mm radius
- Sheeting: Type III Retro-Reflective Sheeting on all surfaces

STRUCTURE:

- Substrate: Extruded Aluminum Panels
- Supports: 100 mm x 150 mm
Pressure Treated Wood Post

NO.	REVISION	BY	DATE
Approved:			
_____ Director of Highway Operations			
Date: Dec. 18, 2003			
Tourist Area Boundary Sign			
Prepared By: S.L.	Checked By: R.D.	Scale: None	TCS-A-505.1



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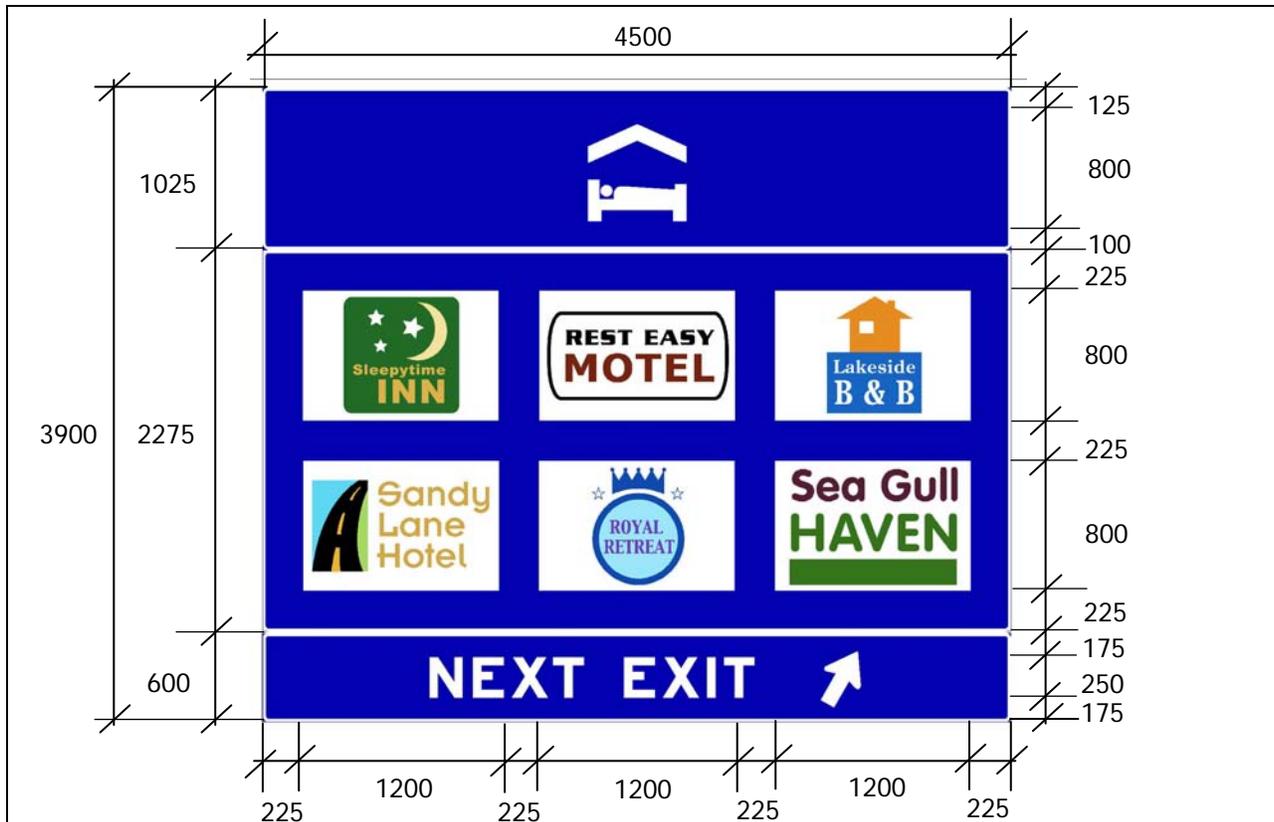
MESSAGE PANEL:

- Legend: 100 mm Series C – White
- Background: blue
- Border: 15 mm border – White
- Symbols: 600 mm x 600 mm
- Sheeting: Type III Retro-Reflective Sheeting on all surfaces

STRUCTURE:

- Substrate: Flat Aluminum or High Density Plywood
- Supports: As Needed

NO.	REVISION	BY	DATE
Approved:			
_____ Director of Highway Operations			
Date: Feb 17, 2004			
TODS Trail-Blazer			
Prepared By: S.L.	Checked By: R.D.	Scale: None	TCS-A-507.2



SIGN DETAILS

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UPPER PANEL:

- Legend: 800 mm Symbol (Gas, Food or Lodging) - White
- Background: Blue
- Border: 38 mm edge – White
- Corner: 25 mm radius
- Sheeting: Type III Retro-Reflective Sheeting on all surfaces

MIDDLE PANEL:

- Legend: 800 mm x 1200 rectangular areas - White
- Background: blue
- Border: 38 mm edge - White
- Corner: 25 mm radius
- Sheeting: Type III Retro-Reflective Sheeting on all surfaces
- Logo Panels: Type III Retro-Reflective Sheeting with artwork either Silkscreen or Cuttable Film (3M Series 1170 or equivalent) using 2 mm flat sheet tension levelled aluminum panels affixed to sign.

STRUCTURE:

- Substrate: Extruded Aluminum Panels
- Supports: As Needed

NO.	REVISION	BY	DATE
Approved:			
Director of Highway Operations			
Date: Nov. 28, 2003			
Logo Sign - Food (6 Panel)			
Prepared By: S.L.	Checked By: R.D.	Scale: None	TCS-A-510.2