



Traffic Guidelines Manual

ORIGINATOR State Traffic Engineer	2-6-40
CHAPTER 2	Signing
SECTION 6	Guide Signs – Freeway/Expressway
SUBJECT 40	No Re-Entry to Freeway Signs

A. Purpose

In an effort to control construction costs, there are several interchanges that have been constructed as half diamond or partial cloverleaf interchanges. These are typically interchanges that do not allow access back on to the mainline (freeway/expressway). Motorists *may* have to drive a substantial distance to get back onto the mainline, which can cause potential confusion. This is especially true if adequate trailblazing is not in place to direct motorists back to the mainline. This policy provides guidance for the installation of signs on the freeway/expressway to warn motorists of the approaching half interchange.

B. Definitions

Freeways are defined as divided arterial highway facilities that have full controlled access, be means of grade separation at interchanges only.

Expressways are defined as divided arterial highway facilities that have partial control of access and generally with grade separations at major intersections.

C. Policy

1. The “NO RE-ENTRY TO FREEWAY” (W6-54) sign *may* be used by the Region where freeway/expressway interchanges are far apart or access to the next interchange is not apparent. This sign *should* only be used at freeway exit locations where there is no other on ramp in either cardinal direction to get back onto the freeway.
2. For freeway exit locations where there is a freeway on ramp in the opposite cardinal direction, the “NO ****BOUND RE-ENTRY TO FREEWAY (W6-54A-D) series signs *should* be used.

3. The signs *should* not be used if adequate trailblazing back to the mainline is already in place.
4. If used, the signs **shall** be mounted immediately below the advance guide sign for the interchange (typically the E1-1A ground mount advance sign or E6-51 overhead advance sign). The minimum height requirements for a secondary Type I sign *should* be followed (see A4-1 standard sign plate).