

## DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

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## MEMORANDUM TO SQUAD LEADERS & CONSULTANTS

Subject: Deck Overhang for Beam or Girder Spans

The projection of the bridge deck slab past the exterior beam or girder is generally constructed by bracing the falsework against the web or bottom flange of the exterior beam or girder. Large overhang widths will cause excessive lateral distortion of the bottom flange and web of the beam or girder. Therefore, the spacing of beams or girders should generally be such that the deck slab overhang width is within the range of 2'-6" to 3'-6" as measured from the centerline of the exterior beam or girder.

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