

South Carolina Department of Transportation

Engineering Directive

Directive Number: ED-7 **Effective:** August 22, 2007

Subject: Guidelines for Scenic Byway Sign Placement

References: S.C. Code of Laws, Section 57-3-110

Purpose: Provide Guidance on Signing for Scenic Byways

This Directive Applies to: Traffic Engineering and Maintenance

Upon notification that a specific highway section or route has been approved by the Legislature or Scenic Byway Committee as a South Carolina Scenic Byway, the South Carolina Department of Transportation will erect signs to inform motorists of this designation. Sign number M1-24.1-24 will be used for this purpose. The guideline below should be used to place the signs along the designated byway.

Signs should be placed at both ends of the byway route. In addition, signs shall be placed at intervals along the byway route as needed to advise the traveling public that they are still on the scenic byway. At major intersections, signs should be placed just beyond the intersection as confirmation that the scenic route continues. In addition, signs with arrows shall be used in advance of any intersection where the motorist is required to make a turn to stay on the byway. Ultimately, engineering judgment should be used to determine the precise location of the signs.

The same procedure should be followed to sign local byways. Sign number M1-24.2-24 will be used to sign local byways.

All signs should be mounted on existing guide sign assemblies, if possible. Otherwise, they can be mounted on separate posts. All sign installations shall conform to the requirements of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

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