

South Carolina Department of Transportation

Engineering Directive

Directive Number: ED-32 **Effective:** April 22, 2015

Subject: Hourly Restrictions for Lane Closures on Interstate and Primary Routes

References: None

Purpose: Provide Direction on Lane Closure Prohibitions

This Directive Applies to: All Employees

It is the purpose of this directive to define the policy for allowing lane closures on the interstate system and primary routes to ensure that the motoring public does not experience unnecessary delays due to construction and maintenance activities.

All South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) forces and all entities contracted by SCDOT will not install lane closures or interfere with or impact normal traffic operations on the interstate system during those times of the day when traffic volumes in the travel lanes remaining open to traffic exceed 1,200 vehicles per hour per lane per direction.

Also, all SCDOT forces and all entities contracted by SCDOT will not install lane closures or interfere with or impact normal traffic operations on primary routes during those times of the day when the traffic volumes in the travel lanes remaining open to traffic exceed 800 vehicles per hour per lane per direction.

If extenuating circumstances exist that require a waiver of these lane closure restrictions, written approval from the Deputy Secretary of Engineering, the Chief Engineer for Design and Traffic Engineering, or the Chief Engineer for Operations is required.

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