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## SUFFIX GLOSSARY

Component Suffixes:	T OL	Tab Overlay
Directional Suffixes:	A D L LR R	Ahead Double Left Left/Right Right
Field Placement Suffix:	OH	Overhead
Series Numbering Suffixes:	a,b,c 1,2,3	Tab series Parent sign series or tab sub-series
Sign Size Suffixes:	uu u x xx xxx	Double undersized sign or tab Undersized sign or tab Oversized sign or tab Double oversized sign or tab Triple oversized sign or tab

## SIGN USEAGE

All Roads/Areas	All
Arteial Road	Art
Bicycle Route	Bic
Expressway	Exp
Freeway	Free
Local Road	Loc
Low Speed	Low
Roundabout	Round
Scale	Scale
Special Use	Spec
Static	Sta
Temporary	Temp

## DEFINITIONS

ASTM:	Abbreviation for American Society for Testing and Materials. Refers to the certified retroreflectivity of the sign face sheeting material.	
Overlay (OL):	A sign component that attaches to the face of an existing sign to add to, or alter, its message. Overlays may be double sided.	
Parent Component:	onent: The primary component in a sign-and-tab configuration. Parents and their tabs must ALWAYS match ASTM levels and be placed, and replaced,	
	together as one unit to maintain a consistent and unified presentation.	
Standard Sign:	Primary traffic signs that convey Ministry information regarding laws/regulations, safety and essential navigation.	
Substrate:	The base material in which the sign is fabricated on.	
Supplemental Sign:	ntal Sign: Secondary traffic signs that convey non-essential travel related information.	
Tab:	A secondary component, typically placed below a parent component. Tabs provide supportive information to the parent and must never be used on their own. Tabs must always match the parent's ASTM reflectivity. Tabs and parents must ALWAYS be placed, and replaced, together.	

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