

## Procurement and Installation of Traffic Control Devices in Miami-Dade County

The purpose of this document is to clarify the requirements, standards, and policies for the procurement and installation of traffic control devices by all municipalities within the jurisdictional boundaries of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

- a. The term "Traffic Control Device" is defined by the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and subject to the requirements therein and supplementary State and local requirements.
- b. Pursuant to [Sec. 2-96.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County](#):
  - i. The County has exclusive jurisdiction over all Traffic Control Devices on roadways in both the incorporated and unincorporated areas of the County.
  - ii. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity, including municipal corporations, to change, modify, install, remove, damage, deface or destroy any traffic control device, unless authorized to do so by the traffic and transportation department, or by an Intergovernmental Agency Agreement.
  - iii. The County, by written Agreement, may authorize municipalities, which desire and are equipped and able to perform certain traffic engineering functions, to assume, together with all liability and without additional cost to the County, through an individual Intergovernmental Agency Agreement, and for local municipal streets only, the installation and maintenance of regulatory and street name signs, warning signs, construction warning signs, markings and barricades, pavement markings, traffic maintenance and traffic calming devices, all as may be specifically provided in the Agreement and subject to performing appropriate traffic engineering studies, if required by such Agreement, and obtaining all applicable permits.
- c. Roadways on the State Highway System (SHS) that are under the jurisdiction of the FDOT require a signed agreement between the municipality and the FDOT along with the County's concurrence in some cases.
- d. Pursuant to the requirements of [Section 316.0745, Florida Statutes](#):
  - i. Contractors, manufacturers or suppliers who intend to sell or install a transportation device within the state of Florida must follow the Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) Approved Products List's (APL) approval process.
  - ii. It shall be unlawful for any public body or official to purchase, or for anyone to sell, any traffic control signal or device unless it conforms to the manual and specifications published by the FDOT and is certified to be of such conformance prior to sale.
- e. Prior to installation in Miami-Dade County, transportation devices must also be listed on the Department of Transportation and Public Works' (DTPW) Traffic Signals and Signs Division's (TSS) Qualified Products List (TSSQPL). The TSSQPL and further details about the process are available at: <http://www.miamidade.gov/publicworks/traffic-signals.asp>. In order ensure uniformity, interoperability and integration with the existing Miami-Dade Traffic Control System and for TSS to provide the needed level of maintenance and operational support, certain traffic control devices and materials must meet additional requirements than may be needed for FDOT APL certification. As such, not all products listed in the FDOT APL may qualify for addition to the TSSQPL.

### QUESTIONS and INQUIRIES:

Municipalities within Miami-Dade County having any questions or needing further information on traffic control devices that can be procured or installed within the County are encouraged to contact Mr. Nahum Fernandez, Traffic Control Standards and Specifications Coordinator, DTPW TSS Division, 7100 NW 36 Street Ext., Miami, FL 33166; 305.592.3470 x 297; fernan@miamidade.gov