



City of Coronado

“Keep Clear” Pavement Marking Policy

INTRODUCTION

The City of Coronado Municipal Code Section 56.30.030 authorizes the City Engineer to place and maintain distinctive roadway markings, such as “KEEP CLEAR” markings. Based on this section of the code, the following policy provides guidance on the use of “KEEP CLEAR” pavement markings and/or supplemental signage to accomplish the following:

- 1) Establish a clear zone adjacent to emergency service facility driveways.
- 2) Establish a clear zone within roadway intersections that experience regular congestion resulting from backup at nearby traffic signals.

California Vehicle Code (CVC) Section 22526(a) provides enforcement capabilities for infractions of a “KEEP CLEAR” zone for any vehicle within an intersection or marked crosswalk when there is not sufficient space on the other side of the intersection or marked crosswalk to accommodate the vehicle driven without obstructing the through passage of vehicles from either side.

REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for “KEEP CLEAR” pavement markings, the location must meet each of the following criteria:

- 1) The location must be classified as a Primary Arterial, Minor Arterial or Collector roadway in the City of Coronado Circulation Element, or be located immediately adjacent to an emergency response facility.
- 2) The number of through and/or left turns into and out of the side street must exceed 30 vehicles during the peak hour of the street on which the markings are requested.
- 3) “KEEP CLEAR” zones will only be considered to alleviate congestion resulting from permanent improvements (i.e., the location must not be impacted by temporary changes in traffic patterns due to roadway improvement projects).

If installed, “KEEP CLEAR” pavement markings will be installed without additional signage at intersection locations. However, when placed adjacent to emergency response facility driveways, signage may be installed.