





**GENERAL NOTES**

1. THE DETECTABLE WARNING TILES SHALL BE CERAMIC CEMENT OR COMPOSITE POLYMER CONCRETE (CRC) TILES WHICH MEET THE CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SPECIFICATION (AVAILABLE ON THE CITY OF CHICAGO WEBSITE). IN THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, GRANITE OR OTHER SPECIALTY PAVING MATERIALS MAY BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR APPROVAL.
2. TILES MUST BE INSTALLED A MAXIMUM OF 8" OR LESS FROM FACE OF CURB (SEE DETAIL SHEET B-4-2).
3. TILES MUST COVER FULL WIDTH OF RAMP EXCLUDING SIDE FLARES FOR A MINIMUM UNOBSTRUCTED DEPTH OF 24". TILES LOCATED ON THE SURFACES OF RAMPS ARE TYPICALLY ORIENTED PERPENDICULAR TO THE RUN OF THE RAMP UNLESS SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES OCCUR (SEE DETAIL SHEET B-1-6). TILES MUST BE PROVIDED FOR A MINIMUM DEPTH OF 24" FOR THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE SIDEWALK WHERE THE SIDEWALK IS FLUSH WITH THE STREET (DEPRESSED CURB OR FLUSH TRANSITION).
4. WHERE APPLICABLE, A COMBINATION OF DIFFERING SIZE TILES MAY BE USED ON COMPOUND AND LARGE RADII. CONTRACTOR MUST MAKE THIS DETERMINATION AND VERIFY IN FIELD.
5. TILES MUST CONTRAST WITH ADJACENT PAVEMENT. IF LIGHT COLORED PAVEMENT IS USED THE TILE COLOR SHALL BE RED. IF A DARK COLORED PAVEMENT IS USED THE TILE COLOR SHALL BE YELLOW. CONTRACTOR TO VERIFY THAT PROPER CONTRAST IS OBTAINED.
6. RAMP WIDTH MUST BE A MINIMUM OF 6'-0" AND IN INCREMENTS OF 1'-0", EXCEPT WHEN USING THE PERPENDICULAR RAMP AT CORNER, WHICH HAS A MINIMUM WIDTH OF 4'-0".
7. PRIOR TO PLACING CONCRETE FOR DEPRESSED CURBS AND RAMPS THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY THE COMMISSIONER TO RECEIVE LAYOUT APPROVAL. A PRE-MANUFACTURED TILE, APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER, MUST BE USED TO ACHIEVE THE DETECTABLE WARNING SURFACE.
8. THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE RAMP RUNNING SLOPE IS 1:14, MEASURED AT ANY PORTION OF THE RAMP. IF POSSIBLE, A MORE GRADUAL SLOPE SHALL BE USED. GRADE BREAKS AT THE TOP AND BOTTOM OF RAMPS SHALL BE PERPENDICULAR TO THE DIRECTION OF RAMP RUN.
9. THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE RAMP CROSS SLOPE IS 1:64, MEASURED AT ANY PORTION OF THE RAMP. IF POSSIBLE, A MORE GRADUAL SLOPE SHALL BE USED.
10. THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE RAMP LANDING SLOPE IS 1:64, MEASURED AT ANY LOCATION AND IN ANY DIRECTION ON THE LANDING. THE RAMP LANDING WIDTH SHALL MATCH THE FULL WIDTH OF THE RAMP FOR A MINIMUM UNOBSTRUCTED DEPTH OF 4'-0". RAMP LANDINGS SHALL BE PROVIDED AT THE TOP AND/OR BOTTOM OF RAMPS WHERE TURNING IS REQUIRED.
11. RAMP SIDE FLARES SHALL BE INSTALLED AT ANY LOCATION WHERE THE SURFACE ADJACENT TO THE RAMP SURFACE IS INTENDED FOR PEDESTRIAN USE. TRIPPING HAZARDS, INCLUDING STEPS, DROP-OFFS, OR SIDE CURBS SHALL NOT BE LOCATED WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE SIDEWALK.
12. UTILITIES, SUCH AS LIGHT POLES, TRAFFIC POLES AND HYDRANTS, MAY BE LOCATED IN THE FLARE OF THE RAMP BUT ARE NOT ALLOWED ON THE RAMP SURFACE OR LANDING AREAS.
13. ALL LOCATIONS WITH TYPE 4 OR TYPE B CURB (EXCEPT ALLEY APRONS) SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED AS CURB AND GUTTER TYPE BV.12 THROUGH THE LIMITS OF THE CORNER AND THE CURB RAMPS.
14. ALTERATIONS SHALL NOT DECREASE THE ACCESSIBILITY TO EXISTING FACILITIES. SIDEWALKS LEADING TO EXISTING FACILITIES OR DOOR OR GATE ACCESS POINTS TO FACILITIES. THE ELEVATION AT THE EXISTING PROPERTY LINE OR FACILITY ACCESS POINT SHALL BE MAINTAINED AT A MINIMUM. ANY ALTERATIONS ADJACENT TO OR AFFECTING A FACILITY ACCESS POINT SHALL RESULT IN IMPROVED ACCESS OR AT A MINIMUM A REPLICATION OF EXISTING CONDITIONS, INCLUDING SIDEWALK SLOPES AND SURFACE CONDITIONS. FACILITIES INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO PRIVATE BUSINESSES, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, RESIDENCES, BUS STOPS, PUBLIC BENCHES, PAY PHONES, AND PARKING METERS.
15. THE MINIMUM CROSSWALK WIDTH IS 6'-0". CROSSWALKS SHALL BE LOCATED AS SHOWN IN THE PLAN SHEETS DEPENDING ON THE TYPE OF CURB RAMP USED. BEYOND THE CURB FACE AT THE BASE OF CURB RAMPS, A CLEAR SPACE OF 4'-0" BY 4'-0" MINIMUM SHALL BE PROVIDED WITHIN THE WIDTH OF THE CROSSWALK.

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**GENERAL NOTES (CONTINUED)**

16. IF SIDEWALK AND ALLEY ARE AT THE SAME GRADE, A RAMP IS NOT REQUIRED. IF SIDEWALK AND DRIVEWAY ARE AT THE SAME GRADE, A RAMP IS NOT REQUIRED BUT DETECTABLE WARNING TILES ARE STILL REQUIRED IF THE DRIVEWAY HAS TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES (I.E. TRAFFIC SIGNALS).
17. MAIN LINE SIDEWALK SHALL HAVE A MAXIMUM CROSS SLOPE NOT TO EXCEED 1:64 FOR THE FULL WIDTH OF WALK UNLESS OTHERWISE APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER. WHERE TURNING IS REQUIRED AND WHERE SIDEWALKS INTERSECT, THE SLOPE OF THE SIDEWALK SHALL NOT EXCEED 1:64 IN ANY DIRECTION.
18. MAIN LINE SIDEWALK RUNNING SLOPES SHALL NOT EXCEED 1:24 OR THE GENERAL GRADE ESTABLISHED FOR THE ADJACENT STREET, WHICHEVER IS HIGHER.
19. THERE SHALL BE NO VERTICAL LEVEL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN SURFACES GREATER THAN 1/4" ON THE MAIN LINE SIDEWALK. THERE SHALL BE NO HORIZONTAL GAPS OR OPENINGS GREATER THAN 1/2" ON THE MAIN LINE SIDEWALK.
20. CURB RAMPS AND KEYSTONE TO BE CONSTRUCTED WITH 8" THICK CONCRETE AT ALL TRAFFIC SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS AND INDUSTRIAL STREET INTERSECTIONS. AT ALL OTHER LOCATIONS, 6" THICK CONCRETE TO BE USED.
21. NO DEVIATIONS FROM THESE STANDARDS ARE ALLOWED WITHOUT WRITTEN APPROVAL FROM THE COMMISSIONER.
22. ALL CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS MUST BE STAMPED BY A LICENSED ARCHITECT/LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER TO CERTIFY THAT THEY ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) AND ALL CODES AND BUILDING ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

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**ADA COMPLIANCE AND TRANSITION GUIDELINES**

POLICY STATEMENT: ANY ALTERATION OF THE PUBLIC WAY MUST BE RESTORED IN AN ADA COMPLIANT MANNER

**I. STREET RESURFACING / RECONSTRUCTION \***

FOR ANY RESURFACING/RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT WHERE, WITHIN THE PROJECT LIMITS, A CROSSWALK IS ENCOUNTERED OR WHERE THE PROJECT LIMITS TERMINATE WITHIN 4' OR LESS OF A CROSSWALK, THOSE CROSSWALKS AND THE ASSOCIATED CURB RAMPS MUST BE IMPROVED TO CURRENT ADA STANDARDS. WHERE RESURFACING/RECONSTRUCTION ENCOUNTERS LESS THAN 1/4 POINT OF THE STREET SURFACE (LONGITUDINAL CUT), IT IS ACCEPTABLE PRACTICE TO EXCLUDE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ASSOCIATED CROSSWALKS AND CURB RAMPS.

WHEN A PROJECT SCOPE OF WORK CALLS FOR ONLY AN INTERSECTION TO BE REPAVED, THE INTERSECTION LIMITS AS DEFINED BY THE AREA OUTLINED BY OUTERMOST CROSSWALK LINES AND ADJACENT CURB FACES AND ALL ADJOINING CROSSWALKS AND CURB RAMPS MUST BE IMPROVED TO CURRENT ADA STANDARDS.

WHEN A PROJECT SCOPE OF WORK IS LIMITED TO A SINGLE CORNER OF AN INTERSECTION, THE CURB RAMP MUST BE IMPROVED TO CURRENT ADA STANDARDS AND THE ADJACENT PAVEMENT MUST BE RESURFACED, AS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE FOR A FLUSH TRANSITION.

FOR ANY RESURFACING / RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT WHERE, WITHIN THE PROJECT LIMITS, AN ALLEY APRON IS ENCOUNTERED, THE ASSOCIATED CURB RAMPS, ALLEY APRON, AND SIDEWALKS MUST BE IMPROVED TO CURRENT ADA STANDARDS.

**II. SIDEWALK INSTALLATION / REPAIRS / RECONSTRUCTION**

THE LIMITS OF ANY MAINLINE SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT, GREATER THAN TEN FEET (10') IN LENGTH, THAT ABUT AN EXISTING RAMP LOCATION (INCLUDING THE FOUR FOOT (4') LANDING AREA AND/OR THE "KEYSTONE"), SHALL BE EXTENDED TO INCLUDE THE AFFECTED RAMPS AND THESE RAMPS SHALL BE RECONSTRUCTED TO CURRENT ADA STANDARDS. IN ADDITION, ALL NEWLY PLACED SIDEWALK TEN FEET (10') OR MORE IN LENGTH SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL CURRENT APPLICABLE STANDARDS WHICH INCLUDE PROVIDING A MINIMUM FOUR FEET (4') WIDTH ACCESSIBLE PATHWAY WITH A CROSS SLOPE NOT TO EXCEED 1:64.

**III. GUIDELINES FOR TRANSITIONING TO EXISTING NON-COMPLIANT CONDITION**



NEW SIDEWALK PLACEMENTS GREATER THAN TEN FEET IN CONTIGUOUS LENGTH: THE LIMITS OF ANY MAINLINE SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT, GREATER THAN TEN FEET (10') IN LENGTH, MUST BE EXTENDED FOR A MINIMUM FIVE ADDITIONAL FEET (5') EITHER SIDE IN ORDER TO PROVIDE A REASONABLE TRANSITION TO MATCH THE EXISTING SIDEWALK. THE LENGTH OF TRANSITION SHALL BE LENGTHENED AS NECESSARY TO ENSURE THAT THE RUNNING SLOPE OF THE TRANSITION DOES NOT EXCEED A SLOPE OF 1:24 (PREFERRED) OR 1:14 (MAXIMUM) AT ANY POINT.

NEW SIDEWALK REPLACEMENTS TEN FEET OR LESS IN CONTIGUOUS LENGTH (REPAIRS): IT IS ACCEPTABLE PRACTICE TO MATCH ADJACENT SIDEWALKS AT THE EXISTING SLOPE.

CURB RAMP REPLACEMENTS: SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT BEYOND THE LIMITS OF THE LANDING AREA AND/OR THE "KEYSTONE" MUST BE EXTENDED A MINIMUM OF AN ADDITIONAL FIVE FEET (5') EITHER SIDE IN ORDER TO PROVIDE A REASONABLE TRANSITION TO MATCH THE EXISTING SIDEWALK. THE TRANSITION SHALL BE LENGTHENED AS NECESSARY TO ENSURE THAT THE RUNNING SLOPE OF THE TRANSITION DOES NOT EXCEED A SLOPE OF 1:24 (PREFERRED) OR 1:14 (MAXIMUM) AT ANY POINT.

NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE ABOVE WILL BE ALLOWED WITHOUT WRITTEN APPROVAL FROM THE COMMISSIONER.

**\* THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION I. SHALL APPLY ONLY TO CITY AGENCIES**

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