



**ATTENTION: TP&D, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION,  
MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC OPERATIONS ENGINEERS  
MEMORANDUM**

**SPECIAL PROVISION AND/OR SPECIFICATION CHANGE MEMORANDUM 15-07**

**TO:** District Engineers **Date:** September 4, 2007  
**FROM:** Mark A. Marek, P.E.  
**SUBJECT:** Statewide Special Specification 6944 (04), "Fiberglass Signs"

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The above referenced special specification has been approved for statewide use.

This special specification was created as a result of problems related to the theft of aluminum signs in urban areas, Departmental Material Specification 8305 (Fiberglass Interlocking Sign Substrate) and Special Specification 6944 (Fiberglass Signs) have been developed which allows for the use of fiberglass sign substrates. The fiberglass panels may be used as an alternative to extruded aluminum panels. The specification provides for interlocking panels in lieu of bolts to attach panels together. The fiberglass panels are similar in weight to aluminum panels and can be attached to I-beam or round posts with proper fastening methods. Fiberglass substrates shall be installed per manufacturer's recommendations. Standard sizes are 12, 18 and 24-inch widths.

Bid codes have been created for fiberglass substrates and will be included on the next revision to the SMD standard sheets. Please call Traffic Operations Division for a list of approved fiberglass materials and sheeting manufacturers who will warranty their material on the fiberglass substrate.

Please disseminate this information to your Transportation Planning & Development, Design, Construction, Maintenance, and Traffic Operations Engineers.

**Note: Original signed by Mark A. Marek**

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