



# YIELD SIGNS TRAFFIC POLICY



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## City of Edina

**PURPOSE:** Yield signs are used to protect traffic on one of two intersecting streets without requiring traffic on the other street to come to a complete stop. Studies indicate Yield signs are effective in certain low volume conditions with adequate sight distances. Some efficiencies in accident reduction, delays, and operating costs can be realized with the use of Yield signs.

**PROCESS:** Your traffic safety concern or request will be formalized by the staff member you have contacted. That person will work with you and gather the pertinent facts and help clearly define the problem and seek a solution. Those facts will be reviewed by the City Engineer, the Police Chief, and the Assistant City Manager. That group will make a recommendation to the City Council regarding the matter. The staff safety review recommendation will be shared with you. If you disagree with the recommendation or can bring forth additional information and/or facts that are persuasive as related to the City warrants/policies for the requested issue, you can appear at the second Council meeting of the month and present your viewpoint. We suggest you alert any interested parties to attend the meeting with you. In all cases the City Council is the final authority on traffic safety matters. Any subsequent review of the same or similar request is at the discretion of the City Council.

Their recommendation will be shared with you and if you disagree with it or can bring forth additional facts you can appear at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting and present your viewpoint. In all cases the City Council is the final authority on traffic safety matters.

- POLICY:**
1. The provisions of the Minnesota Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) shall be followed.
  2. Relevant speed, volumes, accident records, sight distances, and other pertinent data shall be reviewed when considering the installation of a Yield sign.
  3. Absent engineering data in support of a Yield sign, intersections shall remain uncontrolled.

## **YIELD SIGNS (Continued)**

4. Any of the following conditions may warrant the installation of a Yield sign.
  - a. At the entrance to an intersection where it is necessary to assign right of way and where the safe approach speed on the entrance exceeds 10 MPH based on adequate sight distance.
  - b. Where there is a separate or channelized right turn lane without an adequate acceleration lane.
  - c. At intersections where all legs of the intersection do not exceed 800 vehicles/hour for any given hour. (Must also comply with (a) above.)
  - d. At any intersection where engineering studies identify special problems that are correctable by Yield signs.
5. Yield signs shall not be used to control traffic traveling on a collector or arterial roadway.
6. Yield signs shall not be used to control traffic entering a collector or arterial roadway.
7. Yield signs shall not be used on more than one approach of an intersection.