

## PART 2. SIGNS

### Chapter 2I. Resort Information Signs

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#### 2I.1 Purpose

**SUPPORT:**

Resort Information signs (Slat Signs) are addressed in Minnesota Statutes 160.283 through 160.285.

**STANDARD:**

For the specific purpose of this sign program, and as defined by these statutes, a "resort" shall be as defined in section 157.15 or a golf course, restaurant, or motel as defined in section 157.15 or recreational camping area as defined in section 327.14, subdivision 8.. The purpose of Resort Information signs is to provide identification and directional information to resorts for motorists after they have turned off from a trunk highway onto a local road.

#### 2I.2 Application

**STANDARD:**

Resort Information signs shall be used only on "those county state-aid highways, county highways, and town roads within one-half mile of areas that have restrictions on the erection of advertising devices along or adjacent thereto imposed under the applicable provisions of chapter 173" (Minnesota Statute 173).

They shall not be installed on any Mn/DOT maintained trunk highway, expressway, freeway, or interstate.

#### 2I.3 General Design



**STANDARD:**

Each Resort Information sign shall be rectangular in shape having a white legend on a green background. The sign has no border. Logos or symbols of any kind shall not be used on the sign.

The legend on each Resort Information sign shall be limited to the name of the resort, golf course, motel, restaurant, or recreational camping area. The legends shall not include promotional advertising.

The legend shall be reflectorized, whereas the background may be reflectorized or nonreflectorized. However, reflectorized and nonreflectorized sign panels shall not be intermixed on an assembly.

#### 2I.4 Style and Size of Lettering

**STANDARD:**

The standard lettering and letter spacing for the Resort Information signs shall be 100 mm (4 in) upper case letters following the spacing dimensions specified in the "Minnesota Standard Signs Manual." (available from Map & Manual Sales Unit, page ii). The legend shall be centered on the sign.

#### 2I.5 Size and Arrangement

**STANDARD:**

Each Slat Sign shall be 1200 x 150 mm (48" x 6").

The topmost sign or trailblazer sign of the Resort Information sign assembly shall be 1200 x 300 mm (48" x 12") and contain the word "RESORTS" along with one arrow to show which direction the motorist must travel to reach the resorts on the signs below. There shall be only one trailblazer sign on each assembly.

Each sign structure shall be capable of supporting one trailblazer sign and not more than five Resort Information signs placed beneath each other. (see Figure 2I-1)

The Resort Information signs shall be arranged alphabetically reading from top to bottom.

#### 2I.6 Sign Locations

**STANDARD:**

The Resort Information sign assembly shall be located at least 150 m (500 ft) from the nearest interstate highway ramp and at least 90 m (300 ft) from any intersection. The assembly shall not obstruct the driver's view of other traffic control devices. They shall be placed at least 65 m (200 ft) apart and at least 100 m (300 ft) from other traffic control devices.

**OPTION:**

The sign assemblies may be located laterally outside the normal longitudinal alignment of other traffic control signs, but within the right-of-way.

**STANDARD:**

The location of other traffic control devices shall at all times take precedence over the location of Resort Information signs.

**GUIDANCE:**

Position, height, and lateral clearance of Resort Information sign assemblies should be governed by Sections 2A and 2D of the MN MUTCD except as required above.

## 2I.7 Administration

**OPTION:**

Counties may use county road and bridge funds for the purchase, fabrication, installation and maintenance of Resort Information signs along or adjacent to roads under their jurisdiction or town roads within the county at the expense of the requester.

**STANDARD:**

The requester shall reimburse the county for 100 per cent of the cost of the signs.



*Figure 2I-1 Example of a Resort Information Sign Assembly*