

761—131.4(321) Erection of camping service signs on interstate highways. The purpose of this rule is to establish requirements and procedures for the erection of camping service signs.

131.4(1) Definition. “All-weather roads” are roads with sufficient surfacing so as to be passable regardless of weather conditions.

131.4(2) Requirements.

a. The distance of the camp facility from the nearest off-ramp intersection with the intersected highway or street should not exceed five miles via an all-weather road or street.

b. Campsites should have a minimum of 20 spaces available for camping and parking.

c. The camping area and all facilities shall be available to the public 24 hours a day on a year-round basis. If a camping facility meets the “24 hours a day” condition but is operated on a seasonal basis, camping service signs shall be provided with the condition that the sign be masked (at no cost to the owner) during that part of the year when the facility is not open to the public.

131.4(3) Procedures.

a. A request for camping service signs should be made to the appropriate district office.

b. The appropriate district office shall forward Form 810013, “Application and Agreement for Installation of Camping Service Signs on Interstate Highways,” to the requesting camp owner.

c. The camp owner shall complete Form 810013, sign it, and return it to the appropriate district office.

d. The appropriate district office shall review Form 810013 and verify by inspection that the requirements established in subrule 131.4(2) have been met.

e. When the appropriate district office has verified through inspection that the requirements are satisfied, the engineer shall complete and sign Form 810013, signifying approval of the application. A copy of the approved application shall be promptly forwarded to the applicant.

f. Upon approval of Form 810013, the department of transportation shall erect and maintain, at no cost to the camp owner, camping service signs on the interstate highway. (The department of transportation shall also bear the cost of masking camping service signs during the periods that seasonal campsites are closed to the public.)

131.4(4) Conditions.

a. The campground must meet applicable state and local standards for health and sanitation. Camping service signs may be removed if the department is notified by the responsible state or local agency that the campground is in violation of these standards.

b. Camping service signs may be removed if the campground is found to be in violation of any other requirement of this rule.

c. Signing shall not be reinstalled without proper notification that the violation has been corrected.