

761—105.4(321) Holiday rest stops on interstate highways.

105.4(1) Site. A holiday rest stop along an interstate highway shall be located in an established interstate rest area. The department shall designate an appropriate spot within the rest area for the holiday rest stop. The sponsor shall not use the rest area restroom building or welcome center buildings for the purposes of the holiday rest stop. The sponsor may use the information kiosk where available. A tent or canopy may be used in areas without a kiosk during inclement weather. Running water is available at each rest area. The department will provide electricity if requested.

105.4(2) Signs.

a. The sponsor shall not place any signs directing highway traffic to the holiday rest stop. The sponsor shall not place any signs for the holiday rest stop along the interstate highway or interchange ramps. The department shall place signs stating “free refreshments” adjacent to the interstate highway and shall remove these signs when the holiday rest stop is discontinued.

b. The sponsor is responsible for any signs posted at the actual holiday rest stop site. Signs provided or placed by the sponsor shall not include any advertising but may include the sponsor’s name. Signs shall not be mounted on objects (including vehicles) that contain the name of any organization or individual except the sponsor. The sponsor shall remove all signs it has erected promptly after the holiday rest stop is discontinued.

105.4(3) Request. A request to sponsor a holiday rest stop in an interstate rest area shall be made on Form 810023. This form is available from the department’s district offices or the office of maintenance.

a. The request shall include the name and address of the requesting sponsor, a detailed description of the proposed holiday rest stop location, and the requested hours of operation.

b. The request shall be submitted to the office of maintenance.

c. The request must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the beginning date of the holiday period and shall be accepted up to 12 months in advance.

105.4(4) Approval of request. The request is subject to the approval of the office of maintenance. The request shall be approved unless there is good cause for denying it.

a. A request to sponsor a holiday rest stop shall not be approved until 60 days before the beginning date of the holiday period.

b. If there is more than one qualifying request for the same site and date, the sponsor shall be selected by lottery.