



State Information Form- January 2010

SYSTEM OVERVIEW

Name of state SC Department of Transportation

Are you a bonus state Yes No

Total number of road miles in state highway system 41,466 miles

Total number of road miles regulated in ODA program 6724.93 miles

On Interstate system 845.05 miles

On NHS system 2684.36 miles

On FAP (6/1/91) system 4040.57 miles

Other N/A

Does your State have FAP routes that have been transferred to local government control

Yes No

If yes, how many miles are still under HBA control N/A

Names of the routes still under HBA control N/A

SIZE AND HEIGHT

Current maximum size per side 672 sq. ft.

Current minimum size per side allowed before permit is required no minimum

How many sign faces are allowed in each direction 2

Do you allow temporary extension/cutouts on conforming signs Yes No

Current maximum size of extension/cutouts on conforming signs 150 sq. ft.

Do you allow temporary extension/cutouts on nonconforming signs Yes No

Current maximum size of extension/cutouts on nonconforming signs 150 sq. ft.

What is the maximum height of a sign structure No height restriction

How do you measure height of the sign structure Elevation at center line of Hwy to lowest edge of face

What is the maximum height of a sign face 48 ft.

How do you measure height of a sign face Lower edge measured to upper edge

FEE STRUCTURE

Application Fee \$ \$20 for sign if not exceeding 350 sq. ft. \$30 if exceeding 350 sq. ft.

Annual Permit Fee \$ same as application fee above

Renewal Fee \$ same as application fee above every January 1st year(s)

Permit Investigation Fee \$ \$100 nonfundable fee

Administration Fee \$ Same fee as Permit Investigation Fee

Transfer Fee \$ None

Other Fees \$ Revision fee and Replacement fee is same a application fee

INVENTORY

Total number of sign permits statewide as of January 1, 2010 6147

Number of conforming signs statewide as of January 1, 2010 3680

Number of nonconforming signs statewide as of January 1, 2010 2467

Do you permit sign faces Yes No

Do you permit sign locations Yes No

Do you permit sign structures Yes No

ADMINISTRATION

Under what department and division is your ODA program administered Deputy of Finance & Administration / Director of Administration / Director, Outdoor Advertising, Building Management & Services

Is your ODA program centralized Yes No

Is your state ODA program divided into districts / regions Yes No

If yes, total number of districts/ regions 7

Total number of employees in ODA program 11

Number of ODA employees in Central office 4

Number of ODA employees in district / regional office 1 per district

Number of certified cities in ODA program 4

Names of the cities certified City of Columbia, West Columbia, North Charleston, and Dillon.

Is your ODA program privatized Yes No

If yes, with whom do you have a contract N/A

When was the program privatized N/A

How many years does the privatization contract run N/A

SPACING

When permitting in an unzoned commercial or industrial area, what is the maximum distance allowed between the qualifying business and sign site 600 ft.

How many businesses are required to qualify a sign site 1

What is the minimum spacing on

Interstate 500 ft.

FAP 300 ft.

Inside incorporated municipalities 100 ft.

Outside incorporated municipalities 300 ft.

ON-PREMISE

Does your program regulate on-premise signs Yes No

Does your state have on-premise animated/video sign regulations Yes No

If yes, how do you regulate on-premise signs for brightness Traffic Engineering will review for safety.

CEVMS

Does your state allow electronic signs Yes No

Regarding electronic signs, what is the

Rotation rate 2 seconds or less Static rate at least 6 seconds

Additional fee \$ None

Did it require new legislation Yes No

How do you measure brightness issues Traffic Engineering will review if necessary

Is spacing different for CEVMS signs Yes No

If yes, what is spacing on CEVMS signs 500 ft. between each CEVMS sign

VEGETATION

Do you have a vegetation removal program Yes No

Is there a participation fee Yes No

Please explain \$300 will cover cost of annual routine mowing of each sign done by contractors

Application fee \$ Same as above

Vegetation removal fee structure Initial removal completed by sign owner. Annual routine mowing (at a cost of \$300) done by contractors.

Is the program performed by ODA Maintenance Other _____

What are the penalties for illegal vegetation removal Cancellation of permit

Have you been successful in revoking a permit for illegal vegetation removal Yes No

Have you been successful in collecting penalties for illegal vegetation removal Yes No

Other Fees \$ \$100 a day fine charged while owners is in violation status

STAKEHOLDER INVOLVEMENT

Does your state have a task force or focus group comprised of state, federal, environmental, and industry representatives that meet on a regular basis to discuss

ODA / Junkyard/Vegetation issues Yes No

If yes, is the group legislatively mandated Yes No

FEDERAL / STATE AGREEMENT / REGULATIONS

Has your Federal / State Agreement been updated Yes No

Is your Federal / State Agreement available on-line Yes No

Provide the direct web link www.scdot.org/doing/pdfs/Fed_Agreement.pdf

Are your statutes available on-line Yes No

Provide the direct web link www.scstatehouse.gov/code/t57c025.htm

Are your regulations available on-line Yes No

Provide the direct web link www.scdot.org/doing/pdfs/oda_regulations_revised.pdf

What year were your state statutes last revised 2006

What year were your administrative rules last revised 2007

APPEAL PROCESS

What type of appeal process does your state utilize (check all that apply)

- Internal / DOT hearing officer
- Administrative law judge
- Judicial review by circuit / district court
- Other _____

JUNKYARDS

Do you regulate junkyards on non-interstate (FAP) routes Yes No

Number of permitted junkyards, within 1,000 feet of an interstate or FAP Currently under review

Application Fee \$ \$25.00

Administration Fee \$ Same as Application fee

Renewal Fee \$ None

INTERNET

Official state website www.sc.gov/

State ODA website www.scdot.org/doing/ODAS.shtml

State DOT website www.scdot.org/

Other links of interest www.scdot.org/doing/ODAS.shtml

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Name & Title