

**Section 1094**

1 **1092-3 CERTIFICATION**

2 Provide a Type 6 material certification in accordance with Article 106-3 for all retroreflective  
3 sheeting used in the manufacture of signs certifying that the sheeting meets Section 1092.

4 **SECTION 1094**  
5 **GROUND MOUNTED SIGNS**

6 **1094-1 GROUND-MOUNTED SIGN SUPPORTS**

7 **(A) Breakaway or Simple Steel Beam Sign Supports**

8 Fabricators of breakaway or simple steel beam sign supports shall be AISC Category I  
9 certified.

10 Steel supports for Type A and B ground mounted signs shall be galvanized rolled steel  
11 sections, either breakaway or simple design, as required by the contract. Fabricate  
12 supports from plates, W shapes, and S shapes, as required by the contract, and they shall  
13 conform to ASTM A36. Splices in the supports will not be permitted. Perform  
14 galvanizing before assembly that conforms to ASTM A123. Cutting steel supports to  
15 length after they have been galvanized will not be permitted in new construction. The  
16 support(s) shall be uniformly straight to within 1/8 inch tolerance for pieces less than  
17 20 feet in length, and 1/4 inch tolerance for pieces over 20 feet in length.

18 Fabricate high strength bolts, nuts and washers required for breakaway supports from  
19 steel in accordance with ASTM A325 and galvanize in accordance with ASTM B695,  
20 Class 55.

21 **(B) 3 lb Steel U-Channel Posts**

22 Make 3 lb steel U-channel posts out of rerolled rail steel or new billet steel, conforming  
23 to the mechanical requirements of ASTM A499, Grade 60, and the chemical  
24 requirements of ASTM A1, for rails having nominal weights of 91 lbs. per yard or  
25 greater. Proportion the cross section so a moment of 1,450 ft-lb, applied to the cross  
26 section normal to the flanges, will produce an extreme fiber stress no greater than  
27 39,500 psi. Use posts that weight 3 lbs/lf. Punch or drill all posts with 3/8 inch diameter  
28 holes on the centerline, spaced 1 inch on centers, starting 1 inch from the top and  
29 extending to the bottom of the posts. Galvanize these posts after fabrication for the full  
30 length and total area in accordance with ASTM A123. The zinc coating inside of the  
31 3/8 inch diameter holes shall not exceed Specification requirements enough to prevent a  
32 5/16 inch diameter bolt from freely passing through.

33 Use U-channel post sections of the same general configuration as that shown in the  
34 contract, however minor variations may be considered acceptable by the Engineer  
35 provided all other requirements are met.

36 **(C) 2 lb Steel U-Channel Posts**

37 Use 2 lb steel U-channel posts that are variable length galvanized steel, U-shaped channel  
38 posts.

39 Fabricate the U-channel posts from steel meeting ASTM A1008 or ASTM A499, or  
40 an approved alternate. The posts shall weigh 2 lbs/lf, and be of the length necessary to  
41 meet the erection requirements of the contract. Before galvanizing, punch or drill  
42 3/8 inch diameter holes on 1 inch centers, beginning 1 inch from the top of the post, for a  
43 minimum distance equal to the vertical dimension of the respective sign or mile marker.  
44 Galvanize these posts after fabrication in accordance with ASTM A123. The zinc coating  
45 inside of the 3/8 inch diameter holes shall not exceed Specification requirements enough  
46 to prevent a 5/16 inch diameter bolt from freely passing through.

1 U-channel post sections shall be of the same general configuration as that shown in the  
 2 contract, however, minor variations may be considered acceptable by the Engineer,  
 3 provided all other requirements are met.

4 **(D) Steel Square Tube Posts**

5 Use steel square tube posts of variable length galvanized steel. The post shall be  
 6 a minimum 14 gauge steel square tube. Before galvanizing punch or drill all posts with  
 7 3/8 inch diameter holes on the centerline, spaced 1 inch on centers, starting 1 inch from  
 8 the top and extending to the bottom of the posts.

9 Galvanize these posts after fabrication for the full length and total area in accordance  
 10 with ASTM A123. G90 zinc coating shall not be accepted. The zinc coating inside of  
 11 the 3/8 inch diameter holes shall not exceed Specification requirements enough to prevent  
 12 a 5/16 inch diameter bolt from freely passing through.

13 Steel square tube sections shall be of the same general configuration as that shown in the  
 14 contract, however, minor variations may be considered acceptable by the Engineer,  
 15 provided all other requirements are met.

16 **(E) Wood Supports**

17 Wood supports shall conform to Articles 1082-2 and 1082-3.

18 **1094-2 RIVETS FOR SIGN OVERLAYS**

19 Rivets for sign overlays shall be 1/8 inch diameter aluminum rivets of the pull through type,  
 20 and be approved by the Engineer. Submit for approval several samples of rivets, along with  
 21 adequate descriptive catalog literature.

22 **SECTION 1096**  
 23 **OVERHEAD SIGN STRUCTURES**

24 **1096-1 ALUMINUM OVERHEAD SIGN STRUCTURES**

25 Materials for aluminum overhead sign structures shall conform to Article 1092-1 and  
 26 *AASHTO Standard Specifications for Structural Supports for Highway Signs, Luminaires and*  
 27 *Traffic Signals*. Where the Contractor proposes to use materials that are not covered by these  
 28 references, such use will be contingent on the Engineer's approval of these materials.

29 **1096-2 STEEL OVERHEAD SIGN STRUCTURES**

30 Use Category I certified by the American Institute of Steel Construction Fabricators for steel  
 31 overhead sign structures as required by Subarticle 1072-1(A). Use either structural carbon  
 32 steel or structural low-alloy steel for steel overhead sign structures meeting *AASHTO LRFD*  
 33 *Bridge Design Specifications*. Other steel may be used, subject to the approval of the  
 34 Engineer. Structural steel that has been cold-rolled to increase the yield strength will be  
 35 permitted. Mechanically galvanize all fasteners. Hot-dip galvanize all other components of  
 36 the structural assembly after fabrication has been completed. The galvanizing shall meet  
 37 ASTM B695, Class 55, for fasteners and ASTM A123 for other structural steel.

38 **1096-3 WELDING**

39 Perform all welding in the fabrication of the supports by AWS certified welders. Furnish  
 40 a copy of the AWS certification for each welder used for fabrication. All welds shall be free  
 41 of cracks, blow holes, slag, and other irregularities, and be wire brushed, sandblasted or  
 42 otherwise cleaned. Refer to Article 1076-3 for additional requirements for galvanizing.

43 Aluminum welding processes and procedures, shielding gases, preparation, weld quality,  
 44 inspection and correction of welds, and the qualification of welding procedures, welders and  
 45 welding operators will be governed by the AWS Structural Welding Code, D1.2.