

Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004—School 30km/h Static Variable Speed Limit Sign Trial

Pursuant to subclause 3.4(1) of Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004 (“Rule”) and a delegation from the Waka Kotahi, the NZ Transport Agency, I, Chris Rodley Manager Policy, Operational Policy, Standards and Network, authorise the installation and maintenance of School 30km/h static variable speed limit signs:

- a. for the purpose described in Schedule 1;
- b. in the form and layout, set out in Schedule 2;
- c. at the locations stated in Schedule 3;
- d. for the period specified in Schedule 4; and
- e. subject to the conditions in Schedule 5.

The signs may be installed for the purpose of evaluating their use and the trial will be called the “School 30km/h static variable speed limit sign trial”.

Schedule 1—Purpose of Trial

The purpose of the trial is to:

- a. evaluate the effectiveness and safety of the school 30km/h static variable speed limit sign.
- b. assess the effect on drivers’ behaviour and reaction to the sign.

Schedule 2—Form and Layout of Signs

The signs must conform to the following descriptions:

R1-6.2 School static variable speed			
<i>Highest speed limit is the number of km/h shown on the sign that applies to a school frontage during the times specified (must only be used on roads with mean speeds below 30km/h)</i>			
Shape and Size:	Rectangle 900x1200mm above a W16-5.1 “School” supplementary sign [900mm x 300mm]		
Background:	White (R)		
Border:	Red (R) 30mm		
Legend:	Description	Colour	Size
	R1-1 above for example,	as for R1-1	as for R1-1
	“8:25 - 9 AM”	Black	80/12.4
	“2:55 - 3:15 PM”	Black	80/12.4
	“SCHOOL DAYS”	Black	80/12.4

Note: The dimensions, descriptions and terms used to describe the signs in this notice conform with the opening notes in Schedule 1 of the Rule.



Example: School static variable speed limit sign combination

Schedule 3—Location

The locations approved for this trial are:

Road Controlling Authority	School	Road	School Static VSL length	
Hamilton City Council	Rhodes Street School	Rhodes Street	315m	
		Campbell Street	25m	
	Te Totara Primary School	Hector Drive	300m	
		Raupo Place	25m	
	Hamilton West School	Hammond Street	150m	
		Horne Street	230m	
		Park Terrace	30m	
	Queenstown-Lakes District Council	Kingsview Primary School	Yewlett Crescent	130m
			Lake Avenue	185m
Remarkables Primary School		Lake Avenue	290m	
		McBride Street	115m	
		Allan Crescent	400m	
St Joseph's Primary School		Hallenstein Street	235m	
		Beetham Street	170m	
		Edgar Street	15m	
		Melbourne Street	165m	
Shotover Primary School		Jones Avenue	270m	
		Stalker Road	215m	
		Stone Wall Terrace	10m	
		Coventry Crescent	15m	
		Marston Road	20m	
		Myles Way	15m	
		Risinghurst Terrace	10m	
		Wakatipu High School	Red Oaks Drive	245m
Golden Elm Lane			30m	
Wanaka Primary School		Kings Drive	395m	
		Totara Terrace	335m	
	McLeod Avenue	25m		

Schedule 4—Period of Trial

The trial may begin after the publication of this notice and, unless terminated earlier, must end by **30 August 2022**.

Schedule 5—Conditions and Evaluation

Speed Limit

The variable speed limit at a location listed in Schedule 3 must be set in accordance with Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2017 and the “Hamilton and Queenstown Lakes 30km/h Schools Variable Speed Limits” notice published in the [New Zealand Gazette, 17 January 2022, Notice No. 2022-au141](#).

Signs

- a. At least one “school static variable speed limit” sign combination, described in Schedule 2 of this notice, must be installed on each approach to the variable speed limit on the main road outside a school listed in Schedule 3 and on each approach on a side road that intersects with the variable speed limit.
- b. R1-1 signs that comply with Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004 must be installed at the end of the variable speed limit on every road that leaves the variable speed limit.

Evaluation

- a. An evaluation and analysis shall be undertaken as outlined in the “School 30km/h Static Variable Sign Trial Notes” document received from Abley Limited, dated 9 July 2021.
- b. Tube counts need to be collected approximately five months after the implementation of the signs. The counts must be taken in the same location as the pre-implementation tube counts.
- c. Abley Limited will analyse the speed data and report on findings.
- d. A final report evaluation report must be sent to the Manager Network Safety by **30 September 2022**.

Signed at Auckland this 13th day of January 2022.

CHRIS RODLEY, Manager Policy, Operational Policy, Standards and Network, Waka Kotahi.