

MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF YARMOUTH

<p>Dynamic Speed Display Sign Policy D-0410-18</p>	<p>Effective Date: Nov 28, 2018</p>
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Part 1 Intent

The intent of this policy is to develop a procedure for the placement of Dynamic Speed Display Signs within the Municipality of Yarmouth.

Part 2 Definitions

- 2.1 **Dynamic Speed Display Sign (DSDS)** means a portable or permanent radar activated sign that instantaneously displays speeds of approaching vehicles. This device is also used to obtain traffic volumes;
- 2.2 **MODY** means the Municipality of the District of Yarmouth;
- 2.3 **NSTIR** means Nova Scotia Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal;
- 2.4 **Traffic Calming** means the installation of a safety solution such as a radar sign to slow or reduce traffic in order to enhance safety for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists.

Part 3 Purpose

- 3.1 The purpose of traffic calming is to make neighborhoods safer, more pleasant, and more livable. Reducing the speed of traffic to acceptable levels helps to achieve these goals. Traffic calming reduces the chance of accidents, collisions, and noise;
- 3.2 the Dynamic Speed Display Sign (DSDS) can also be used for data collection of traffic patterns for the Municipality of Yarmouth for its present and future infrastructure needs and assessments;
- 3.3 the DSDS is not meant to be stationary;
- 3.4 the DSDS is for information purposes only and does not issue speeding tickets;
- 3.5 traffic calming data will only be collected on NSTIR rural routes or local roads and Municipally owned road, no private roads or 100 series highways.

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Part 4 Procedure

4.1 Annual Program:

4.1.1 Each year the CAO will develop an annual program, outlining locations and schedule for the use of the sign. The program will be informed by: consultations with the RCMP; Municipal Council; Municipal strategies and programs requiring data.

4.2 Criteria:

4.2.1 the following criteria will be used to determine the urgency of the DSDS use:

- is speeding proven to have occurred or is occurring in this area above the posted limit as set out by NSTIR or the traffic authority?
- is the placement due to a safety concern and if so what safety factor is prevalent – the presence of children, seniors, people with disabilities, cyclists, etc.?
- have there been any accidents or deaths at this location due to speeding?
- has the DSDS been in this location during the past 6 months?

4.2.2 is the placement required by MODY for data collection? MODY's need to place the sign for data collection will take priority over the other applications.

4.3 Placement:

4.3.1 the DSDS will be installed and removed by MODY Public Works Department;

4.3.2 the DSDS may be installed at a particular location for a maximum of two weeks (14 days);


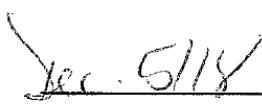
4.3.3 there must be a minimum lapse of six months prior to reinstalling the DSDS at the same location;

4.3.4 placement will be in a location that maintains sight lines at intersections, that does not interfere with traffic on the roadway or with bicycles and pedestrians, and there is no other information competing for the driver's attention, e.g. warning devices upstream of a sharp curve.

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Part 5 DSDS must be inspected and calibrated each year by a qualified technician.

Chief Administrative Officer's Annotation for Official Policy Book	
Date of Notice to Council members of Intent to Consider (7 days Min)	November 20, 2018
Date of Passage of current Policy	November 28, 2018
I certify that this Dynamic Speed Display Sign Policy D-0410-18 was adopted by Council as indicated above.	
 _____ Chief Administrative Officer	 _____ Date

Date last reviewed: November 28, 2018

Date last amended: November 28, 2018

Date last reviewed by the By-Law and Policy Review Committee: November 19, 2018



Appendix A

Municipality of Yarmouth
Dynamic Speed Display Sign Application Form

Name of Applicant: _____
(if applying on behalf of a group/organization, please include a key contact name.)

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Location description * (nearest civic address; direction requested):

Reasons for request (safety concerns):

*Please attach a picture or drawing indication the exact location of the DSDS.

Flow chart process

