Types of Taper

Downstream taper

Taper length

Downstream taper

Buffer space

Taper length

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Table 1. Taper Lengths

Merge Taper

| SPEED MPH | WIDTH OF LANE OFFSET From Original Lane Width (in feet) | | | |
|--------------|---|-----|-----|--|
| | 8' | 10' | 12' | |
| 20 | 53' | 67' | | |

Shift Taper

Shoulder Taper

| ROAD TYPE | DISTANCE BETWEEN SIGNS (in feet) | | |
|-----------|----------------------------------|---|---|
| | Α | В | С |

^{*} Maximum length for downstream taper is 100 feet* Maximum spacing for all speed on downstream taper is 20 ft