Part 8 of the Traffic Control Devices Manual (TCD Manual)

**Code of Practice for Temporary Traffic Management (CoPTTM)**

(CoPTTM) - (SP/M/010)

**Fourth Edition – Technical Note Changes to B3 High visibility garments**

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**Circulation**

Regional Operations Managers, holders of the Code of Practice for Temporary Traffic Management and NZTA website. Please forward to your consultants and contractors.

**Objective**

To update the July 2015 version of the Fourth Edition of the CoPTTM.

**Effective date**

1 October 2016

**Status**

This document is a guideline for use by the roading industry, road controlling authorities, network utility operators and event holders.

**Implications**

The changes are as a result of the:

- Introduction of the option to have a cross configuration on the back of high visibility garments (excluding the STMS garment)
- Removal of requirements for TC vest
- Feedback from garment testers.

**Reminder for all holders**

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**Key to changes**

- Additional text **Highlighted in yellow**
- Deleted text **Red strike through**
- Comments about the change **Italic text**
### B3.1.2 Retro-reflectivity

**Add additional paragraphs**

The retro-reflective material must comply with the specification for Class ‘R’ material as noted in Section 3 and Table 3.2 of AS/NZS1906.4:2010.

Retroreflective orange red material for STMS panels must comply with the colour specification for Class F background material as noted in Clause B3.1.1 and exhibit a level of retro-reflectivity no less than 60 CIL/m² at entrance angle 5.0 degrees and observation angle 0.2 degrees.

**Note:** Rainfall performance and luminance factor tests are not required for the retroreflective panels.

### B3.2 Logos

**Amendment to 4th paragraph**

Where required for related safety reasons a fabrics technical recognition I.D. may be added in an area not exceeding 30mm x 30mm (900mm²) may be added to the front to the upper front right side of a garment.

**Amendment to 5th paragraph**

A manufacturers label to a maximum size of 50mm x 20mm may be sewn or printed on non-high visibility non-compliant material on the lower sleeve or leg.

### B3.3 Garment compliance

**Amendment to 2nd paragraph**

All retro-reflective material applied to garments, including extra small size garments complying with subsection B3.4 Garment design must be in strips no less than 50mm wide. Hoops must completely encircle the torso with no breaks except for the permitted front opening. Braces or the rear cross configuration must meet at the top of the shoulder and at the hoops.

### B3.4.1 Sleeveless vest

**Add new heading**

**B3.4.1.1 Sleeveless vest requirements**

**Amendment to 2nd bullet point**

- the design must include a shirt tail back that is 150mm longer than the front

**Amendment to 6th bullet point**

A permitted front opening to accommodate a zip fastener or similar closing device may be no wider than 25mm. Zip colour may be black but a colour matching the garment colour is preferred. Any buttons, domes or similar closure devices on any compliant high visibility must match the colour of the garment (matching colour need not be compliant)

**Add additional bullet points 10 and 11**

- An optional cross configuration permitted for the back only must meet the front braces at the shoulder and the belt at the back vertically below the shoulder position to comply with the pattern in Figure 1.
- The optional retroreflective cross configuration on the back of a garment is not permitted for STMS garments.
Add new subsection

B3.4.1.2 Application of cross configuration on back of high visibility garment

To date NZTA has seen little evidence that supports any improvements in safety by using the cross configuration on the back of high visibility garments rather than the belt and braces configuration.

Despite this lack of evidence NZTA is allowing the use of an optional cross configuration on the back of high visibility garments.

The optional retroreflective cross configuration on the back of a garment is not permitted for STMS garments.

Contractors will be able to use this optional cross configuration for their staff but will not be able to require subcontractors or any visitors to site to have the cross configuration rather than the belt and braces configuration on the back of their high visibility garments.

The effective date for the introduction of the cross configuration will be 1 October 2016.

B3.4.2 Identifying vests for STMS and TC

Remove reference to TC vest from heading

Remove subheading for STMS sleeveless vest

B3.4.2.1 STMS sleeveless vest

Amendment to 2nd bullet point

- a retro-reflective fluorescent orange red panel measuring 150mm x 150mm (±10mm) must be placed on the upper left front of the garment. This panel may cover some of the retro-reflective element at the front and replaces the permitted logo area. Refer to subsection B3.2 Logos.
Figure 2: STMS sleeveless vest (size small).

Amendment to dimensions in table
The legend, STMS, must be displayed on the back and front left orange red panels in the following manner:

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B3.4.2.2 TC sleeveless vest
Remove requirements for TC vest

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In circumstances where an STMS is supervising a number of sites a TC will assume control of the TTM at the worksite.

Retroreflective fluorescent yellow green panels located on the standard Class F (or Class NF) orange high visibility garment will identify the TC. These panels must only be displayed when responsibility for the site is delegated to the TC.
Note: If the above TC panels are permanently affixed to the garment it may only be donned when the responsibility for the site is delegated to the TC.

Removable TC designation panels will be securely attached to the garment with the addition of either clear pockets or hook and loop fastening sewn onto the front left and centre back of the garment:

- on the upper left front of the garment a panel measuring 100mm x 100mm (±5mm) with the letters TC in 75mm helvetica bold. This panel may cover some of the retro-reflective element at the front and the compliant 7500mm² logo area
- on the upper centre back of the garment, between the retro-reflective braces a panel measuring 100mm x 250mm (±5mm) with the letters TC in 75mm helvetica bold. This panel may cover some of the retro-reflective elements at the back
- each panel may be reversible; with the back of each panel being compliant Class F (or Class NF) orange garment material such that when reversed the garment will become a standard orange garment
- the orange reverse side of the front TC panel may include the 7500mm² logo that would appear on other standard garments.

B3.4.3 Long-sleeve coat

Amendment to 2nd bullet point

- the minimum qualifying area measurement of background high visibility material for the recognised small size coat not covered by retro-reflective material or printing must be measured in the same way as for the sleeveless vest specified in subsection B3.4.1 Sleeveless vest except that the measurement rectangle must extend a minimum of 830mm at the front and back. Sleeves are not included in this area

Add additional bullet point after bullet point 5

- compliant retro-reflective material must be positioned to comply with the pattern in Figure 3
- An optional cross configuration permitted for the back only must meet the front braces at the shoulder and the belt at the back vertically below the shoulder position to comply with the pattern in Figure 3

Replace Figure 3: Long sleeve coat (size small).

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**B3.4.4 Overall garment**

**Amendment to 2nd bullet point**
- the minimum qualifying area measurement of background high visibility material for the recognised small size garment not covered by retro-reflective material or printing must be measured in the same way as for the sleeveless vest specified in subsection B3.4.1 Sleeveless vest except that the measurement rectangle must be extended to a point on the leg above the knee. Sleeves are not included in this area.

**Replace Figure 4: Overall garment (size small).**

- compliant retro-reflective material on the torso must be positioned to comply with the pattern in Figure 4.
- An optional cross configuration permitted for the back only must meet the front braces at the shoulder and the belt at the back vertically below the shoulder position to comply with the pattern in Figure 4.

**Amendment to 7th bullet point**
non-compliant high visibility colours may not be located within the qualifying torso area as trim or pocket flaps. Collar material may be a non-compliant colour but any such material that covers qualifying high visibility material in its normal worn position must be deducted from the qualifying torso area.

**B3.4.5 Miscellaneous garments**

**Delete 1st bullet point and replace with new bullet point**
- such garment is specifically designed to comply with subsection B3.4.1 Sleeveless vest high-visibility background material and minimum area including the shirt tail complies with subsection B3.4.1 Sleeveless vest.

- the minimum qualifying area measurement of background high visibility material for the recognised small size garment not covered by retro-reflective material or printing must be:
  I. Front of garment 0.21m²
  II. Rear of garment including the 150mm shirt tail 0.27m²

  **Note:** Sleeves are not included in this area.

**Add additional bullet point after 2nd bullet point**
- the configuration of compliant retro-reflective material complies with the configuration specified in subsection B3.4.1 Sleeveless vest including a strip on the shirt tail at the back.
• An optional cross configuration permitted for the back only must meet the front braces at the shoulder and the belt at the back vertically below the shoulder position to comply with the pattern in Figure 5

Amendment to 5th bullet point

• the area of compliant high visibility background material is measured from material that will be visible when the garment is worn in its normal manner. **Note:** Wearers should be aware that such garments will not comply when tucked into trouser type garments

Amendment to 6th bullet point

• if the garment has a collar this may be a non-high visibility colour provided any high visibility colour under the collar worn in its normal position is deducted from the qualifying area.

• non-compliant colours may not be located within the qualifying torso area as trim or pocket flaps. Collar material may be a non-compliant colour but any such material that covers qualifying high visibility material in its normal worn position must be deducted from the qualifying torso area.

Replace Figure 5: Miscellaneous garment size small Long Sleeved Polo.

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