

1. ROADWAY SIDEWALK CROSS SLOPES, FOR BRICK, CEMENT CONCRETE, AND BITUMINOUS CONCRETE, AS INDICATED IN THE CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS, WILL BE 1.5%. A CONSTRUCTION TOLERANCE OF  $\pm 0.5\%$  IS ACCEPTABLE ON ROADWAY SIDEWALKS. SIDEWALKS ON BRIDGES WILL BE CONSTRUCTED TO A CROSS SLOPE OF 1.0% IN ACCORD WITH MASSDOT BRIDGE POLICY. IN ACCORDANCE WITH 521 CMR THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE ARCHITECTURAL ACCESS BOARD (AAB), THE SIDEWALK CROSS SLOPE CANNOT EXCEED 2.0%.
2. AN UNOBSTRUCTED PATH OF TRAVEL WITH A MINIMUM WIDTH OF 3'-3" (PREFERED MINIMUM WIDTH OF 5'-0" FOR SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE) SHALL BE MAINTAINED PAST ALL OBSTRUCTIONS (UTILITY POLES, SIGNS, SIGNAL FOUNDATIONS, MASTS, MAILBOXES, ALONG DRIVE OPENINGS, ETC.).
3. THE WHEELCHAIR RAMP SLOPES AND SIDE SLOPES (TRANSITIONS) WILL BE MAXIMUM OF 7.5% WITH A CONSTRUCTION TOLERANCE OF  $\pm 0.5\%$ . HOWEVER THESE SLOPES MAY BE FLATTER WHEN WARRANTED BY SURROUNDING CONDITIONS.
4. WHERE THE ROADWAY PROFILE EXCEEDS 4%, THE HIGH SIDE TRANSITION LENGTH UNDER ANY CONDITIONS NEED NOT EXCEED 15'-0".
5. IN NO CASE WHERE A STOP LINE IS WARRANTED, SHALL A RAMP BE PLACED ON THE TRAFFIC APPROACH SIDE OF THAT STOP LINE.
6. FIXED OBJECTS (I.E. UTILITY POLES, HYDRANTS, SIGNS, SIGNAL FOUNDATIONS, ETC.) MUST NOT ENCROACH ON ANY PART OF THE WHEELCHAIR RAMP INCLUDING TRANSITION SLOPES.
7. AT NO TIME IS ANY PART OF THE WHEELCHAIR RAMP, EXCLUDING CURB TRANSITIONS TO BE LOCATED OUTSIDE THE CROSSWALK. THE WHEELCHAIR RAMP ENTRANCE IS TO BE CENTERED IN THE CROSSWALK WHENEVER POSSIBLE.
8. CATCH BASINS WHICH ARE TO BE LOCATED IN THE VICINITY OF A WHEELCHAIR RAMP SHALL BE LOCATED UPGRADE OF THE RAMP ENTRANCE.
9. THE ENTRANCE OF A WHEELCHAIR RAMP SHALL BE FLUSH WITH THE ROADWAY.
10. TESTING SURFACE: WHEN TESTING WITH A STRAIGHTEDGE PLACED PARALLEL TO THE LINE OF THE SLOPE THERE SHALL BE NO DEVIATION FROM A TRUE SURFACE IN EXCESS OF  $\frac{1}{4}$ ".
11. WHEELCHAIR RAMPS ON BRIDGES SHOULD BE AVOIDED. IF A WHEELCHAIR RAMP IS REQUIRED TO BE PLACED ON A BRIDGE, PRIOR WRITTEN APPROVAL IS REQUIRED. SPECIAL DETAILING OF THE REINFORCEMENT AND CURB SYSTEM WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN THE PREFORMANCE OF THE RAILING/BARRIER SYSTEM.

### CURB TRANSITION LENGTH FOR WHEELCHAIR RAMPS

ROADWAY PROFILE GRADE	*HIGH SIDE TRANSITION LENGTH (HST) 6" REVEAL	*HIGH SIDE TRANSITION LENGTH (HST) 7" REVEAL
%		
0	6'-6"	7'-10"
> 0 TO 1	7'-8"	9'-0"
> 1 TO 2	9'-0"	10'-8"
> 2 TO 3	11'-0"	13'-0"
> 3 TO 4	14'-0"	16'-8"
> 4	15'-0" MAX	17'-0" MAX

\* BASED ON A DESIGN SLOPE OF 7.5%. VARYING CURB REVEAL MAY ALTER HST LENGTH.



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### WHEELCHAIR RAMP NOTES

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