

HIGHWAY MARKERS

COLOR MARKERS:-, Designs Nos. 1, 1-A, 1-B, 1-C, 1-D & 1-E.

The colors of the OLD SPANISH TRAIL are the Spanish colors Red and Yellow. White was added as a background for the lettering for clear reading at night.

The dimensions and order of these bands of color are: Red 4", White 13" and Yellow 4" with the lettering O S T or any one of the several symbols in black on the white background.

On straight roads, designs Nos. 1 and 1-A will be used alternately.

Approaching a curve or corner turn, design no. 1-B, 1-C or 1-E will be used. Either the "R" or "L" shield or the curved arrow are acceptable. At the point of Deviation, Design No. 1-D will be used.

Immediately around the turn a marker of No. 1 or 1-A should be placed in such a position that the lights of a car will strike it in turning the curve or corner. This being a confirmation marker. (plate VI)

IN PAINTING these signs, paint the entire area, (20" vertically), in white. Allow this to dry thoroughly, then superimpose the coloring and lettering. After these colors have dried well, then apply a coat of out-of-door varnish.

PAINTS: Any standard brand of white, black and chrome yellow ^{medium} are approved. Red faces and there are very few reds that will be accepted and they must be of Para base or Tuluidine base and must be guaranteed by some reputable paint manufacturer, such as the Sherwin-Williams Co., or Pratt & Lambert. *Maroon, Indigo, Purple, Blue, Red is usually used*

PAINT PRINTED SIGNS. A limited number of paint printed signs of sheet metal carrying the above colors and symbols may be used, mainly where posts are creosoted or other physical reason may make the use of metal signs preferable over painting the colors on posts. The paint printed metal signs are to be 20" X 20" in size and are to be wrapped around the posts and nailed with big headed nails or with ordinary nails with washers to prevent the heads from pulling through the metal. *a blank*
Use a nail about every 4" along each edge.

HEIGHT OF MARKERS on posts in the country should be about 5½ feet from crown of roadway to center of sign. In Cities, the lower edge of sign should be not less than 7 feet above grade surface of the gutter. Make this distinction at the City Limits of incorporated Cities.

FREQUENCY of signs. This is a question to be decided on the ground to a very great extent. In the country there should be a color marker just beyond the intersection of another road so that the driver can see it plainly before making the turn, if he has to turn, or on the straightaway if he doesn't have to turn. There should always be a marker in sight if roads are intersecting. If long stretches of road without intersecting roads, a color marker every mile approximately should be the rule. In Cities, two markers to the Block on each side the street besides the usual turning markers.

*5.00 feet with the colors but not following
the standard for spacing around the post.*