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Sign Maintenance



For motorists, signs are a great tool for helping them drive safely. For the township, they are often a nuisance and major expense. Listed below are maintenance suggestions for consideration provided by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

- All traffic signs should be kept in proper position, clean, and legible at all times. Damaged signs should be replaced without delay.
- Signs poorly maintained lose their effectiveness as traffic control devices. Damaged, defaced, or dirty signs are ineffective and discredit the agency responsible for them.
- Special care should be taken to see that weeds, shrubbery, construction materials, and snow are not allowed to hide the face of any sign.
- A regular schedule of inspection should be established to ensure adequate maintenance. Semi-annual inspections generally have been sufficient.
- Night time inspections should be made to determine that all signs are functioning properly at night.



• Inspections may also be performed each day by observing the traffic signs as you or a crew member drive the township system. Sign vandalism or deficiencies should be noted and arrangements made to correct any problems.

For more information, contact your Loss Control Consultant at (888) 562-7861 CLAIM REPORTING HOTLINE (844) 562-2720 | Available 24/7