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Appendix S Classification of City Streets

CORE ROAD CLASSIFICATION - RURAL					
Characteristic	Rural Local	Rural Collector	Rural Arterial		
traffic service function	traffic movement secondary consideration	traffic movement equal importance with access	traffic movement primary consideration		
land service / access	land access primary consideration	traffic movement equal importance with land access	land access secondary consideration		
traffic volume (veh/day) (typical)	< 1,000	< 5,000	> 5,000		
flow characteristics	interrupted flow interrupted flow		free flow except at signals		
design speed (km/hr)	sign speed (km/hr) 60 - 80 80 - 100		80 - 100		
average running speed (km/hr)	50 - 70	60 - 80	60 - 80		
desirable connections	le connections other local and collectors locals, collectors, and a		collectors, arterials, freeways, provincial highways		
transit service	generally not present	typically not present	buses may be present		
right-of-way width (m) (typical)	20 - 26	20 - 26	20 - 36		
traffic calming (default)	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable		
vehicle type (default)	passenger and service vehicles	passenger and service vehicles	all types, truck route		
accommodation of cyclists (default)	no restrictions or special facilities	paved shoulders if traffic volume > 1000 veh/day; otherwise no restrictions or special facilities	paved shoulders		
accommodation of pedestrians (default)	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		pedestrians permitted, no special facilities		
parking (default)	prohibited	prohibited	prohibited		

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CORE ROAD CLASSIFICATION - URBAN - RESIDENTIAL					
Characteristic	Residential Local	Residential Collector	Minor Arterial	Major Arterial	
traffic service function	traffic movement secondary consideration	traffic movement and land access of equal importance	traffic movement major consideration	traffic movement primary consideration	
land service / access	land access primary consideration	traffic movement and land access of equal importance	permitted, with some access control	permitted, but with rigid access control	
traffic volume (veh/day)(typical)	< 1,000	< 8,000	5,000 - 20,000	> 10,000	
flow characteristics	interrupted flow (driveways, stop controlled intersections)	interrupted flow	predominantly uninterrupted flow	uninterrupted flow except at signals	
design speed (km/hr)	50	60	70	70 - 100	
average running speed (km/hr)	40 - 50	50 - 60	50 - 60	60 - 80	
desirable connections	other local and collectors	locals, collectors, and arterials	collectors, arterials, and expressways	collectors, arterials, and expressways	
transit service	generally avoided	permitted	express and local buses permitted	express and local buses permitted	
right-of-way width (m)(typical)	18 - 20	20 - 26	20 - 36	26 - 36	
min. intersection spacing (m)	60	60	200	400	
traffic calming (default)	where required	where required, horizontal features only	where required, gateway features	not applicable	
vehicle type (default)	passenger and service vehicles	passenger and service vehicles	all types, truck route	all types, truck route	
accommodation of cyclists (default)	no restrictions or special facilities	wider lanes or separate facilities where required	wider lanes or separate facilities where required	wider lanes or separate facilities where required	
accommodation of pedestrians (default)	sidewalks on one or both sides	sidewalks on both sides	sidewalks on both sides	sidewalks on both sides	
parking (default)	no restrictions or restrictions one side only	few restrictions other than peak hour	peak hour restrictions	prohibited or peak hour restrictions	
boulevards between walk & curb (default)	1.5 - 2.5 metres	1.5 - 3.0 metres	1.5 - 3.0 metres	1.5 - 3.0 metres	

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CORE ROAD CLASSIFICATION - URBAN - INDUSTRIAL / COMMERCIAL					
Characteristic	Ind./Com. Local	Ind./Com. Collector	Minor Arterial	Major Arterial	
traffic service function	traffic movement secondary consideration	traffic movement and land access of equal importance	traffic movement major consideration	traffic movement primary consideration	
land service / access	land access primary consideration	traffic movement and land access of equal importance	permitted, with some access control	permitted, but with rigid access control	
traffic volume (veh/day)(typical)	< 3,000	< 12,000	5,000 - 20,000	> 10,000	
flow characteristics	interrupted flow (driveways, stop controlled intersections)	interrupted flow	predominantly uninterrupted flow	uninterrupted flow except at signals	
design speed (km/hr)	60	60	70	70 - 100	
average running speed (km/hr)	50	60	50 - 60	60 - 80	
desirable connections	other local and collectors	locals, collectors, and arterials	collectors, arterials, and expressways	collectors, arterials, and expressways	
transit service	generally avoided	permitted	express and local buses permitted	express and local buses permitted	
right-of-way width (m)(typical)	20 - 26	20 - 26	20 - 36	26 - 36	
min. intersection spacing (m)	60	60	200	400	
traffic calming (default)	not provided	not provided	where required, gateway features	not applicable	
vehicle type (default)	all types	all types	all types, truck route	all types, truck route	
accommodation of cyclists (default)	wide lane	wider lanes or separate facilities where required	wider lanes or separate facilities where required	wider lanes or separate facilities where required	
accommodation of pedestrians (default)	industrial sidewalks provided where required - commercial, both sides	industrial sidewalks provided where required - commercial, both sides	sidewalks on both sides	sidewalks on both sides	
parking (default)	no restrictions or restrictions one side only	no restrictions or restrictions one side only	peak hour restrictions	prohibited or peak hour restrictions	
boulevards between walk & curb (default)	1.5 - 2.5 metres	1.5 - 3.0 metres	1.5 - 3.0 metres	1.5 - 3.0 metres	

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