### Standard Notes

1. The sign lettering for streets and highways shall be composed of a combination of lower case letters with initial upper case letters.
2. When hanging characters exist such as "F" or "G", lower case letters shall be centered justified to the adjacent capital characters based on the center of their loop height.
3. Only standard abbreviations shall be used. The words "Loop" and "Lane" shall not be abbreviated.
4. Street name signs shall be a minimum of 18" in length and not to exceed 42" in length.
5. Signs shall use standard letter types G and D as shown in the "Standard Highway Signs and Markings" book. Letter type D shall be used as space permits.
6. For signs that would otherwise exceed 42" length the following shall be applied as needed in the order shown below to accommodate longer street names.
   a. Reducing and stacking street and postal quad abbreviations
   b. 2.3" letter height for 6" signs and
   c. 3.5" letter height for 9" signs
   d. Use of letter type G
   e. Reducing letter spacing to 50%
   f. Reduce dimension H to 1" minimum for 6" signs and 1.5" minimum for 9" signs.
   g. Reduce dimensions J and K to 1" minimum for 6" signs and 1.5" minimum for 9" signs.
   h. Reduce letter spacing to 10%

### Letter Height and Applications for Street Name Signs

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**NOTE 6. a.**

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