



## Michigan City

# Safe Roads

### Work Zone Safety

## Understanding Work Zone Road Signs

The following graphics and explanations are designed to guide you through a Michigan City Road Work Zone, step by step. This information will help keep you, as well as our workers, safe.



Please be alert when entering a work zone. Drive slowly and pay close attention to the signs. We will do our best to get you through these areas as quickly and safely as possible.

Work zones are well marked and the signs are in effect until you pass the final sign, **END OF CONSTRUCTION ZONE**, giving the “all clear” and allowing drivers to resume regular law-abiding driving conditions.

*John Pugh, Director/Planning Department*  
*Jim Elwell, Superintendent/Central Svcs.*  
*Terry Farmer, Superintendent/Street Dept.*

## Road Work Ahead



This is an advance warning sign intended to let you, the motoring public, know that you will soon be entering a road work zone. This informs you that **the construction is in the road.**



## Men Working

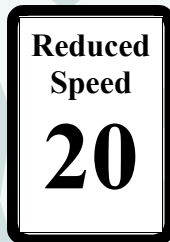
This sign lets the public know that road construction personnel are working in the roadway. **Be on the alert for them!** They may be paving a road, repairing a water leak or accessing a sanitary sewer line. Their job puts them in a dangerous area as they work to keep your city functioning and your roads in repair. Help us keep their workplace as safe as possible.

## Reduced Speed Ahead



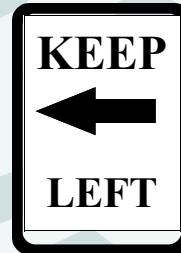
This is an advance warning sign asking you to **lower your speed.** This sign is posted prior to a work zone on roads with high speed or high volume traffic. The sign also is displayed if the lane in which you are traveling narrows or if crews are working below the road's surface. It is important to reduce our speed for the safety of the motoring public and our workers.

## Reduced Speed Limit



These signs provide the **speed at which to travel** through the work zone. The previous sign had no limit posted. This sign is a regulatory sign, and you must comply or risk penalty by law. So be sure to obey the posted speed limit.

## Keep Left/Keep Right



These signs inform you of which **side of the work zone you are allowed to pass.** These signs are posted well in advance of the work zone, giving you adequate time to move into the proper lane. Please use caution when switching lanes. After you have gone through the work zone, you may carefully return to your lane of travel.

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For further information on road safety, please contact the Michigan City Street Department at 219/873-1500 or the Michigan City Police Department at the non-emergency number: 219/874-3221.

*Motorists play an important role in creating a safe city. As motorists, we have a responsibility to obey traffic laws and to follow good driving habits, especially when passing through a work zone. We need to constantly remind ourselves to slow down for the safety of the public as well as workers in construction areas. Each of us has the power to prevent accidents and to create a safer Michigan City.*

*Chief Gene Simmons  
Michigan City Police Department*

## Mayor's Statement

The City of Michigan City has a long-term goal of "zero accidents and zero injuries" among City employees and the motoring public. To meet this goal, we are working to educate and train our workers and the traveling public about traffic hazards and safety procedures.

Every driver contributes to the well-being of our workers in the roadway and our fellow citizens. Remember that there will be traffic signal and lane changes in many areas of Michigan City over the coming months, accompanied by storm sewer and water line upgrades. Please do your part to keep our streets safe by understanding and obeying traffic safety guidelines.

Mayor Chuck Oberlie  
City of Michigan City