

CoPTTM NOTICE: PORTABLE TRAFFIC LIGHTS

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Item	Comment
Circulation	Regional Operations Managers, holders of the Code of Practice for Temporary Traffic Management and NZTA website. Please forward to your consultants and contractors
Objective	To advise on non-approved countdown timers in use on Portable Traffic Lights.
Effective date	17 January 2020
Implications	Countdown timers are not a permitted device for use with a Portable Traffic Light System A trial process must be entered into to achieve approval for use of a countdown timer with a Portable Traffic Light
Reminder for all holders	It is important to keep holders of our documents up to date. Holders can update by copying the relevant sections from the NZTA website: www.nzta.govt.nz/copttm
Additional copies	These may be downloaded from NZTA's website, free of charge or purchased direct from our distributor either via the website, or directly to NZ Print, PO Box 2491, Wellington, 6140.

This note advises that countdown timers that are in use on portable traffic lights at temporary traffic management worksites are not a permitted device and are not permitted to be fitted to a portable traffic light.

The Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices Amendment 2010 – Rule 54002 / 4

Section 2.1 1 Pedestrian displays is to be referenced for information regarding the use of a countdown timer and a countdown timer must only be used as described in that section.

If a device that is currently in use is felt to address an issue and may improve the use of a portable traffic light system when deployed at a temporary traffic management worksite there is a trial process to be followed to demonstrate that the use of the countdown timer on a portable traffic light should be considered for approval as a permitted device.

This notice also requires that any countdown timer that is in use on a portable traffic light is to be disabled or removed until an approval for use is in place as explained herein.

Please make contact if you would like further information regarding the trial process.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

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