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SIGN MAINTENANCE JURISDICTION

STOP SIGNS:

Although **ORC Section 4511.65** requires the local authorities to install STOP signs at the intersections of roads under their jurisdiction with other routes, the accepted practice by ODOT, per Section 260-6 of the Ohio Traffic Engineering Manual (TEM), is for the maintaining agency of the through-highway to install and maintain the STOP signs.

The following matrix should clarify the maintenance of stop signs:

Through-Highway Maintaining Agency	Local Authority of Intersecting Route	Maintenance of STOP Sign
State	County	State*
State	Township	State
County	Township	County**

* The County has responded in the past to downed State STOP signs by placing temporary stop signs for the safety of the traveling public.

** **These STOP signs remain the responsibility of the Township.** The County will continue to provide maintenance to the Township for downed STOP signs.

STREET NAME SIGNS:

Street Name signs on local roads are normally installed by the agency having jurisdiction over the intersected street (side street), although as part of an improvement project ODOT or the County may install these.

IMPORTANT:

Street Name signs currently installed on the same post as a **County-maintained STOP sign will not** be reinstalled if the County replaces the STOP sign. The County prefers to have all Township-maintained Street Name signs installed on their own post at County/Township intersections.