



# TAC Guide for the Design of Roadway Lighting

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# Today's Presentation Goals

- Provide overview of the document
- Review new design concepts and principals
- Review Roadway and Intersection Lighting Design Process

# Consultant Team

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- All active members of IESNA Roadway Lighting Committee

# Project Scope / Goals

- Research standards worldwide
- Create a new, standalone document based on current research and proven industry practices
- Make document easy to use by including examples and pictures
- Write for a varied audience (novice to expert)
- Provide publication-ready document
- Link with other TAC documents (ie; Geometric Design, MUTCDC, etc)

# Chapters

- **Volume 1 – Fundamentals of Roadway Lighting**
  - Chapter 1 – Introduction
  - Chapter 2 – Vision and Fundamental Concepts
  - Chapter 3 – Obtrusive Light
  - Chapter 4 – The Planning and Design Process
  - Chapter 5 – System Components and Common Design Elements
  - Chapter 6 – Standards and Codes
  - Chapter 7 – Computer Applications
  - Chapter 8 – Maintenance

# Chapters

- Volume 2 – Design
  - Chapter 9 – Roadways and Interchanges
  - Chapter 10 – Intersections
  - Chapter 11 – Roundabouts
  - Chapter 12 – Mid-Block Crosswalks
  - Chapter 13 – Railway Crossings
  - Chapter 14 – Tunnels
  - Chapter 15 – Toll Plazas
  - Chapter 16 – Off-Roadway Facilities
  - Chapter 17 – Roadway Signs
  - Chapter 18 – Streetscapes
  - Chapter 19 – Temporary Lighting and Work Zones

# Research

- Undertook a review of standards and research from around the world
- Standards from Canadian governments and Cities were obtained
- Included were International Commission on Illumination (CIE Europe), Illuminating Engineering Society (IES), AASHTO, FHWA, CSA, Institute of Lighting Engineers (England)
- IES Roadway Lighting Committee members were consulted

# Features

- Luminance Design Approach for Roadways
- Each Application Treated in its Own Chapter
- Criteria for Increased Visibility in Crosswalks (Vertical Illuminance) leading to improved safety
- Design for Roundabouts and Toll Booths
- Lighting Warrants Integrated with Other TAC Standards
- Computer-Aided Design Approach
- Design Examples Provided



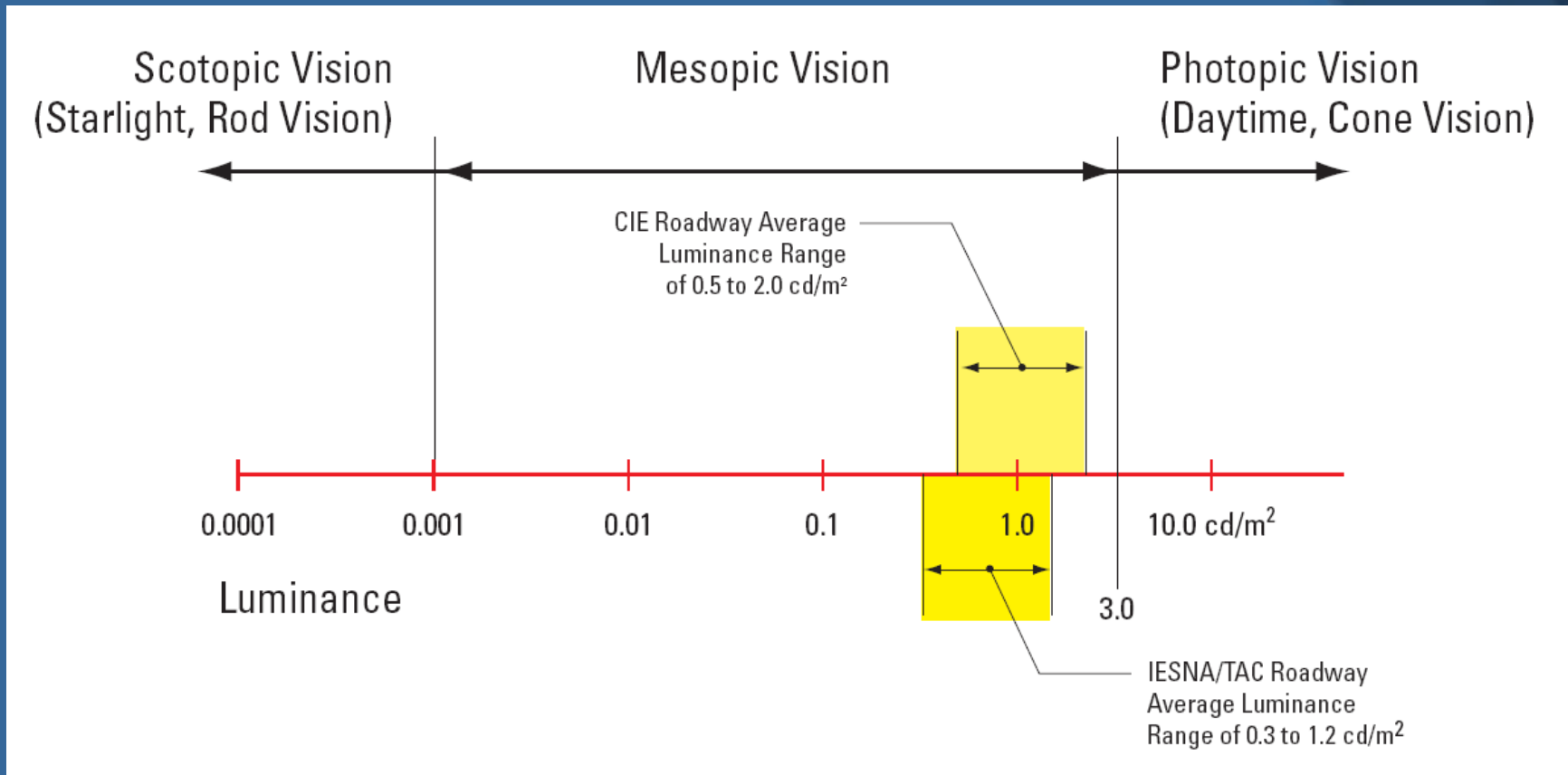
# Why Light

- Reduces glare effects from oncoming vehicle headlamps
- Improves visibility for drivers
- Improves visibility for pedestrians and cyclists
- Provides a level of comfort and feeling of security

# Benefits of Lighting

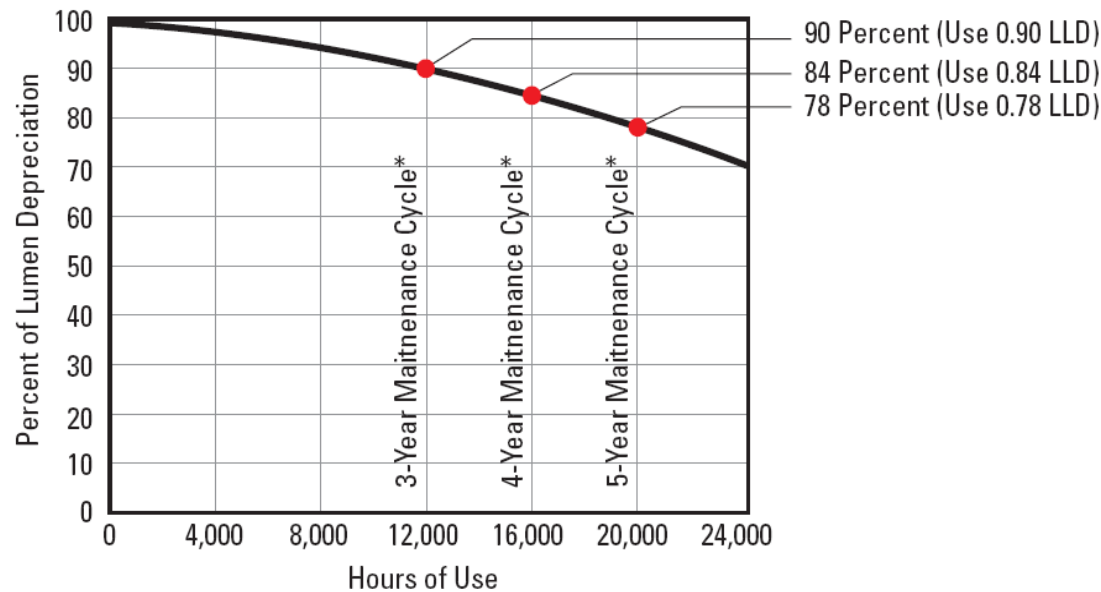
- 20 year FHWA study showed lighting had the highest \$ benefit for each \$ spent
- Studies show lighting reduces collisions up to 40%
- Studies show lighting reduces pedestrian fatalities 45% to 80%

# Comparison IESNA - CIE



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Design is based on end of lamp life  $LLF = LLD \times LDD \times EF$

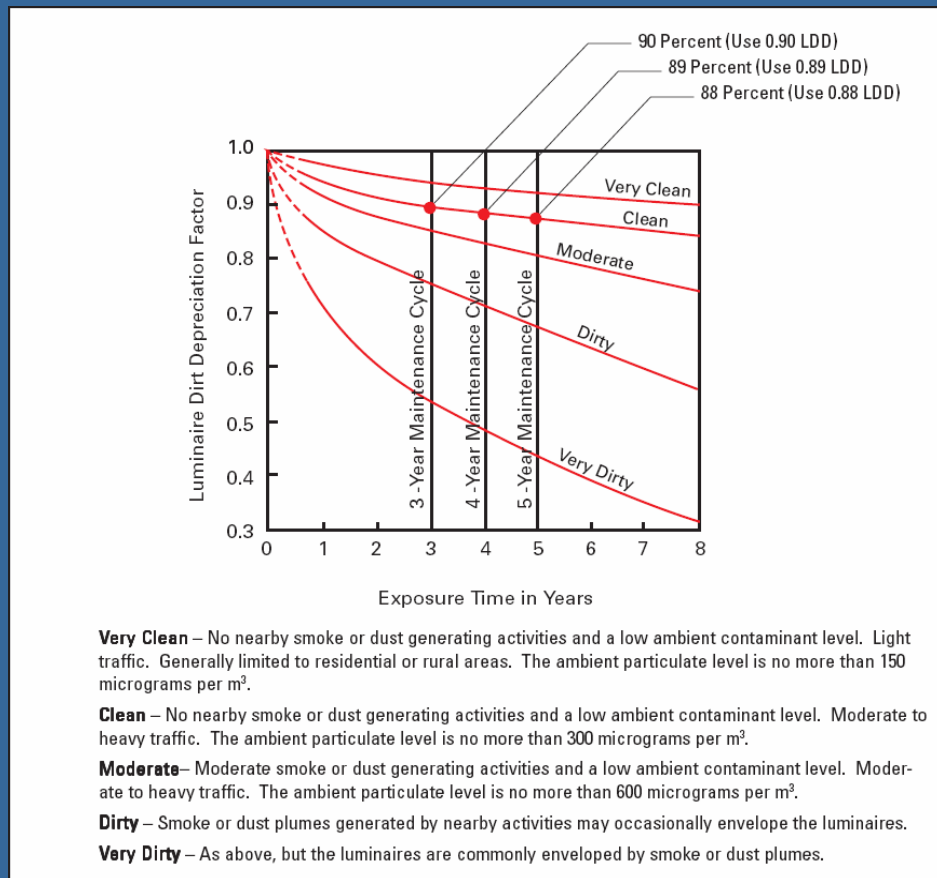


\* 4,000 hours of use is approximately one year

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Equipment Factor fixed at 0.95 includes:

- Manufacturing Tolerance
- Luminaire Degradation
- Varying input voltages

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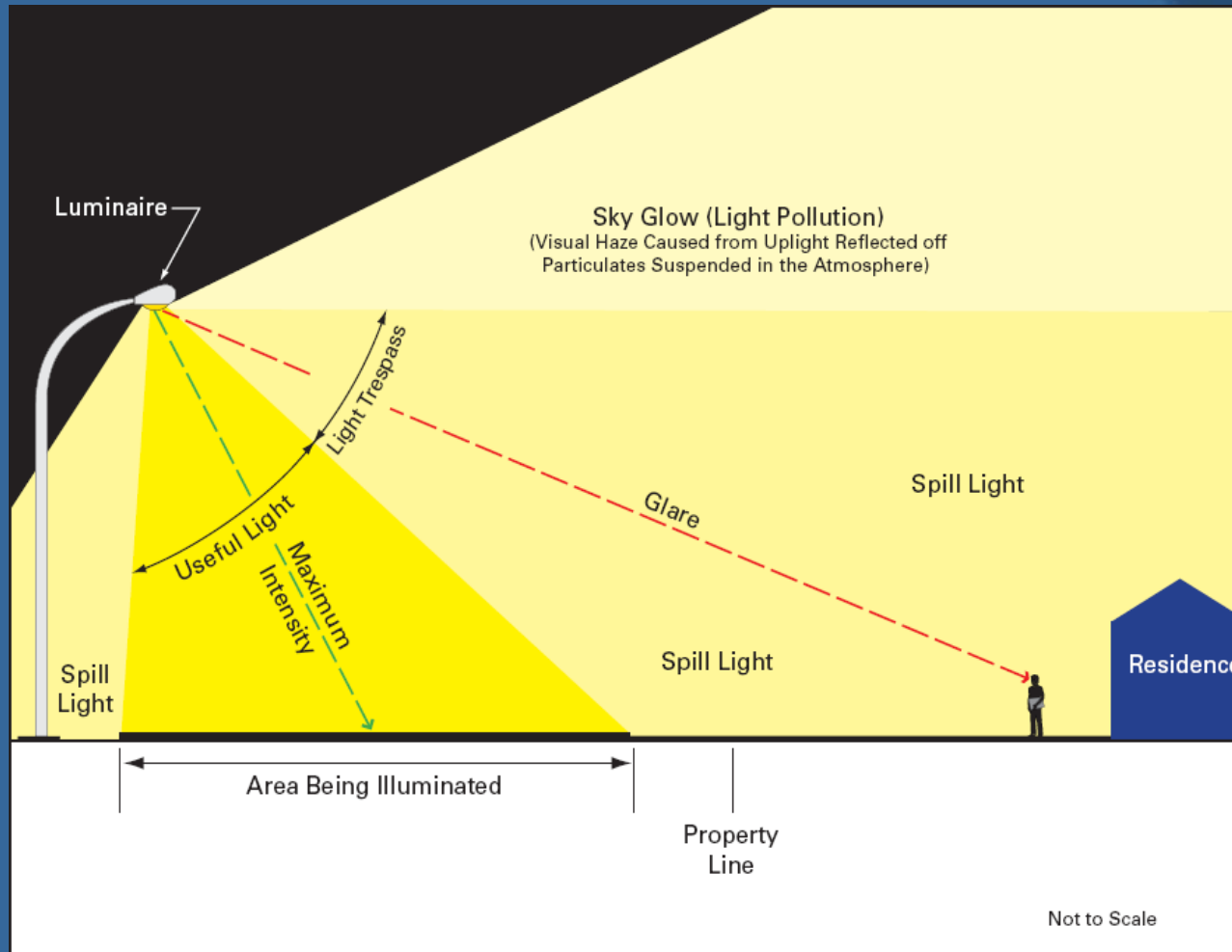
$$LLF = LLD \times LDD \times EF$$

3 Year Maintenance Cycle – 0.9 LLD x 0.9 LDD x 0.95 EF = 0.77 LLF

4 Year Maintenance Cycle – 0.84 LLD x 0.89 LDD x 0.95 EF = 0.71 LLF

5 Year Maintenance Cycle – 0.65 LLD x 0.88 LDD x 0.95 EF = 0.65 LLF

# Obtrusive Lighting





# Spill Light Definitions

Designation	Description
LZ 1	These are very rural areas outside a city with little or no ambient lighting, no commercial development and no outdoor public nighttime pedestrian activity. Where lighting is required in an LZ1 area, the spill light measurements would be taken at the place being inhabited by humans as opposed to the property boundary line or edge of road allowance.
LZ 2	These are rural areas outside of a city with very low population density, no commercial development, minimal outdoor nighttime pedestrian activity and no security issues or concerns. Where lighting is required in an LZ2 area, the spill light measurements would be taken at the place being inhabited by humans as opposed to the property boundary line or edge of road allowance.,
LZ 3	These are areas within a city, with low to medium population density, some outdoor pedestrian nighttime activity and no security issues or concerns. Potential traffic conflicts between vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists are inevitable but mild. Such areas include residential subdivisions, townhouse developments on local and collector roads, as well as highways and freeways. Where lighting is required in an LZ3 area, the spill light measurements would be taken at the property boundary line or edge of road allowance.
LZ 4	These are areas within a city with medium to high population density, or areas intended for heavy public and commercial activities. Potential traffic conflicts between vehicles, pedestrian and cyclists are inevitable and intense. Normally these are urban areas having both commercial and residential development that experience a high level of nighttime activities. Such areas include those with multifamily housing (apartments), those in a downtown core, as well as areas of commercial and industrial development on local, collector and arterial roads, as well as highways and freeways. Where lighting is required in an LZ4 area, the spill light measurements would be taken at the property boundary line or edge of road allowance.

# Spill Light levels

Designation	Recommended Maximum Illuminance Level (Ee)	
	Pre-Curfew	Post-Curfew (Not Applicable to Roadway Lighting)
LZ 1	1.0 lux	0.0 lux
LZ 2	3.0 lux	1.0 lux
LZ 3	8.0 lux	3.0 lux
LZ 4	15.0 lux	6.0 lux

# Skyglow and Glare

Urban Sky glow

Glare

- Disability
- Discomfort
- Nuisance

For more info [www.darksky.org](http://www.darksky.org)

# Lighting Software Comparison

Roadway Calculation Types and Complex Layouts	Software Package						
	Visual Professional Edition v 2.03	Visual Roadway Tool	GenesysII v 2000.1.7	AutoLUX v 7.69	AGI32 v 1.66	LumenMicro 2000 v 2000.2	Simply Roadway Lighting v 2002.1.8
Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IESNA)**	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Commission Internationale de l'Eclairage (CIE)	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y
Commission Internationale de l'Eclairage (CIE)-Australian	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
Complex Layouts (Curves)*	2	1	3	4*	4*	3	1

**Key**

Y = Yes

N = No

1 = Straight Section Only

2 = Illuminance only for Complex Layouts

3 = Illuminance, Pavement luminance, Lv Ratio for Complex Layouts

4\* = Illuminance, Pavement Luminance, Veiling Luminance for Complex Layouts (Curves)

\*Feature Required for Luminance Calculations on Curves

\*\*Feature Required to do a Roadway Lighting Calculation

# Basic Lighting Design Process

## Step 1 – Warrant Analysis

Based on a point-score analysis, full intersection lighting will be required.

## Step 2 – Roadway Features

- Road Type
- Pedestrian Conflict
- Pavement type
- Overhead power line conflicts
- Crosswalks - Vertical illuminance levels required


## Step 3 – Selecting Criteria (from table)

## Step 4 – Equipment Selection

## Step 5 – Undertake Computer Calculations

## Step 6 – Adjust and Recalculate

# Roadway Lighting Warrants



Road Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_  
 Warrant Undertaken by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Company name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Warrants for Lighting Arterial, Collector and Local Roads**

Item No.	Classification Factor	Rating Factor 'R'					Weight 'W'	Enter 'R' Here	Score 'R' x 'W'
		1	2	3	4	5			
<b>Geometric Factors (See Note 6)</b>									
1	Number of Lanes	≤ 4	5	6	7	≥ 8	0.15		
2	Lane Width (m)	>3.6	3.4 to 3.6	3.2 to 3.4	3.0 to 3.2	<3.0	0.35		
3	Median Openings/km	<2.5 or 1-Way	2.5 to 5.0	5.0 to 7.2	7.2 to 9.0	>9.0 or No Median	1.40		
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5	Horizontal Curve Radius (m)	>600	450 to 600	225 to 450	175 to 225	<175	5.00		
6	Vertical Grades (%)	<3	3 to 4	4 to 5	5 to 7	>7	0.35		
7	Sight Distance (m)	>210	150 to 210	90 to 150	60 to 90	<60	0.15		
8	Parking	Prohibited	Loading	Off Peak	One Side	Both Sides	0.10		
<b>Subtotal Geometric Factors</b>									<b>G</b>
<b>Operational Factors</b>									
9	Signalized Intersections (%)	80 to 100	70 to 80	60 to 70	50 to 60	0 to 50	0.15		
10	Left Turn Lane	All Major Intersections or 1-Way	Substantial Number of Major Intersections	Most Major Intersections	Half of Major Intersections	Infrequent Number or TWTL (See Notes 1 & 3)	0.70		
11	Median Width (m)	>10	6 to 10	3 to 6	1.2 to 3	0 to 1.2	0.35		
12	Operating or Posted Speed (km/h) (See Note 5)	≤ 40	50	60	70	≥ 80	0.60		
13	Pedestrian Activity Level (See Note 2)			Low	Medium	High	3.15		
<b>Subtotal Operational Factors</b>									<b>O</b>
<b>Environmental Factors</b>									
14	Percentage of Development Adjacent to Road (%) (See Note 4)	nil	nil to 30	30 to 60	60 to 90	>90	0.15		
15	Area Classification	Rural	Industrial	Residential	Commercial	Downtown	0.15		
16	Distance from Development to Roadway (m) (See Note 4)	>60	45 to 60	30 to 45	15 to 30	<15	0.15		
17	Ambient (off Roadway) Lighting	Nil	Sparse	Moderate	Distracting	Intense	1.38		
18	Raised Curb Median	None	Continuous	At All Intersections (100%)	At Most Intersections (51% to 99%)	At Few Intersections (≤ 50%) (See Note 7)	0.35		
<b>Subtotal Environmental Factors</b>									<b>E</b>
<b>Collision Factors</b>									
19	Night-to-Day Collision Ratio	<1.0	1.0 to 1.2	1.2 to 1.5	1.5 to 2.0	>2.0 (See Note 1)	5.55		
<b>Subtotal Collision Factors</b>									<b>A</b>
<b>G + O + E + A = Total Warranting Points</b>									<b>60.00</b>
<b>Warranting Condition</b>									<b>60.00</b>
<b>Difference -</b>									<b>-60.00</b>

**Notes:**

- 1 Lighting Warranted
- 2 Pedestrian Activity Level (Refer to 9.1.3 - Pedestrian Related Definitions)
- 3 Two-Way Left Turn Lane
- 4 Development Defined as Commercial, Industrial or Residential Buildings
- 5 85th Percentile Night Speed Should Be Used if Available, Otherwise Posted Speed Shall Be Used
- 6 Worst Case Geometric Factors for a Segment of Roadway Shall Apply
- 7 Also Includes Isolated Medians (Non-Continuous) Between Intersections.

# Typical Pole Layouts

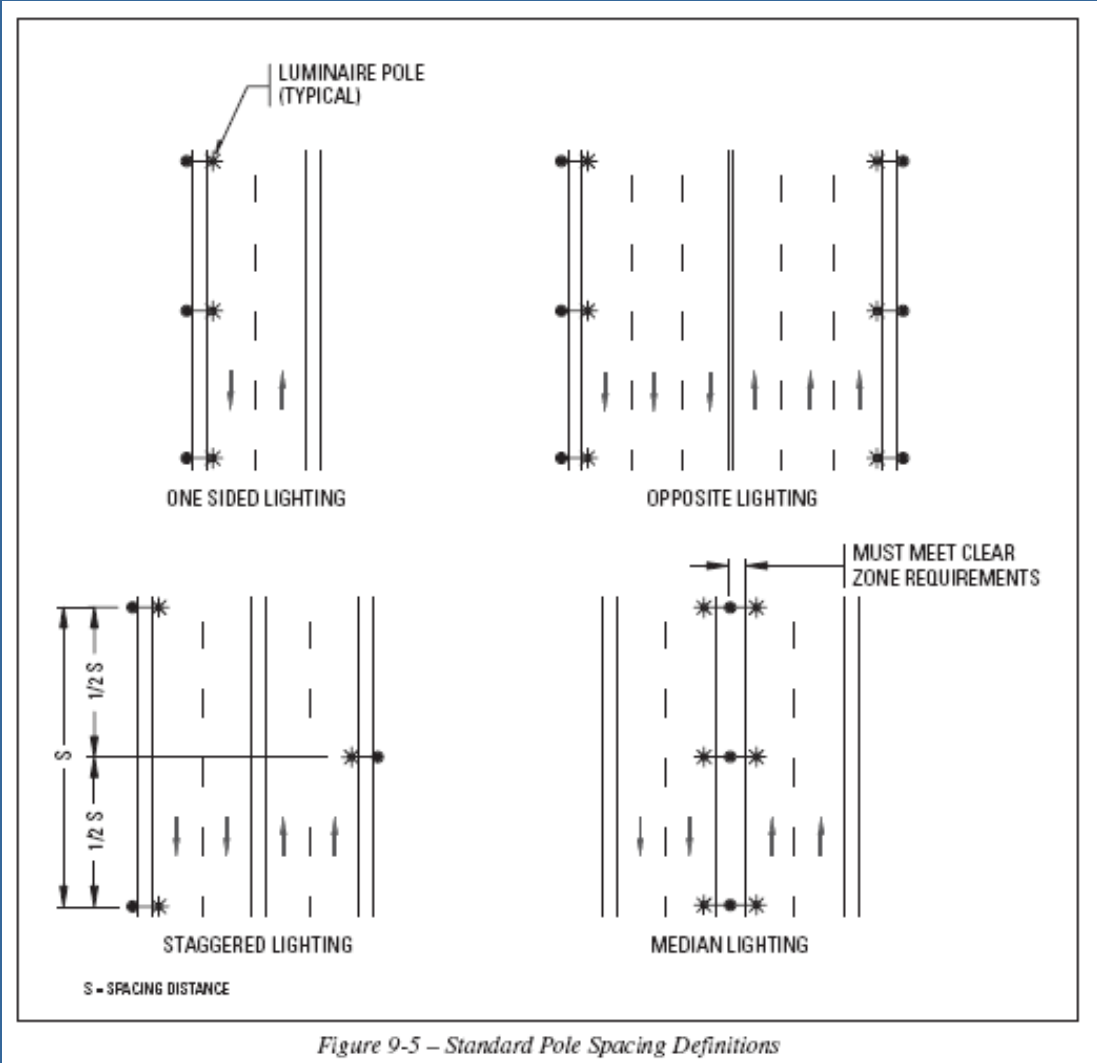


Figure 9-5 – Standard Pole Spacing Definitions

# Roadway Luminance Levels

Road Area and Pedestrian Activity		Average Luminance cd/m <sup>2</sup>	Average-to-Minimum Uniformity Ratio	Maximum-to-Minimum Uniformity Ratio	Maximum-to-Average Veiling Luminance Ratio
Road Type	Pedestrian Activity				
Freeway	--	≥ 0.6	≤ 3.5	≤ 6.0	≤ 0.3
Partial Lighting of Interchange On-Ramps/ Off-Ramps	--	≥ 0.6	≤ 3.5	≤ 6.0	≤ 0.3
Expressway-Highway	High	≥ 1.0	≤ 3.0	≤ 5.0	≤ 0.3
	Medium	≥ 0.8	≤ 3.0	≤ 5.0	≤ 0.3
	Low	≥ 0.6	≤ 3.5	≤ 6.0	≤ 0.3
Arterial	High	≥ 1.2	≤ 3.0	≤ 5.0	≤ 0.3
	Medium	≥ 0.9	≤ 3.0	≤ 5.0	≤ 0.3
	Low	≥ 0.6	≤ 3.5	≤ 6.0	≤ 0.3
Collector	High	≥ 0.8	≤ 3.0	≤ 5.0	≤ 0.4
	Medium	≥ 0.6	≤ 3.5	≤ 6.0	≤ 0.4
	Low	≥ 0.4	≤ 4.0	≤ 8.0	≤ 0.4
Local/Alleyway	High	≥ 0.6	≤ 6.0	≤ 10.0	≤ 0.4
	Medium	≥ 0.5	≤ 6.0	≤ 10.0	≤ 0.4
	Low	≥ 0.3	≤ 6.0	≤ 10.0	≤ 0.4

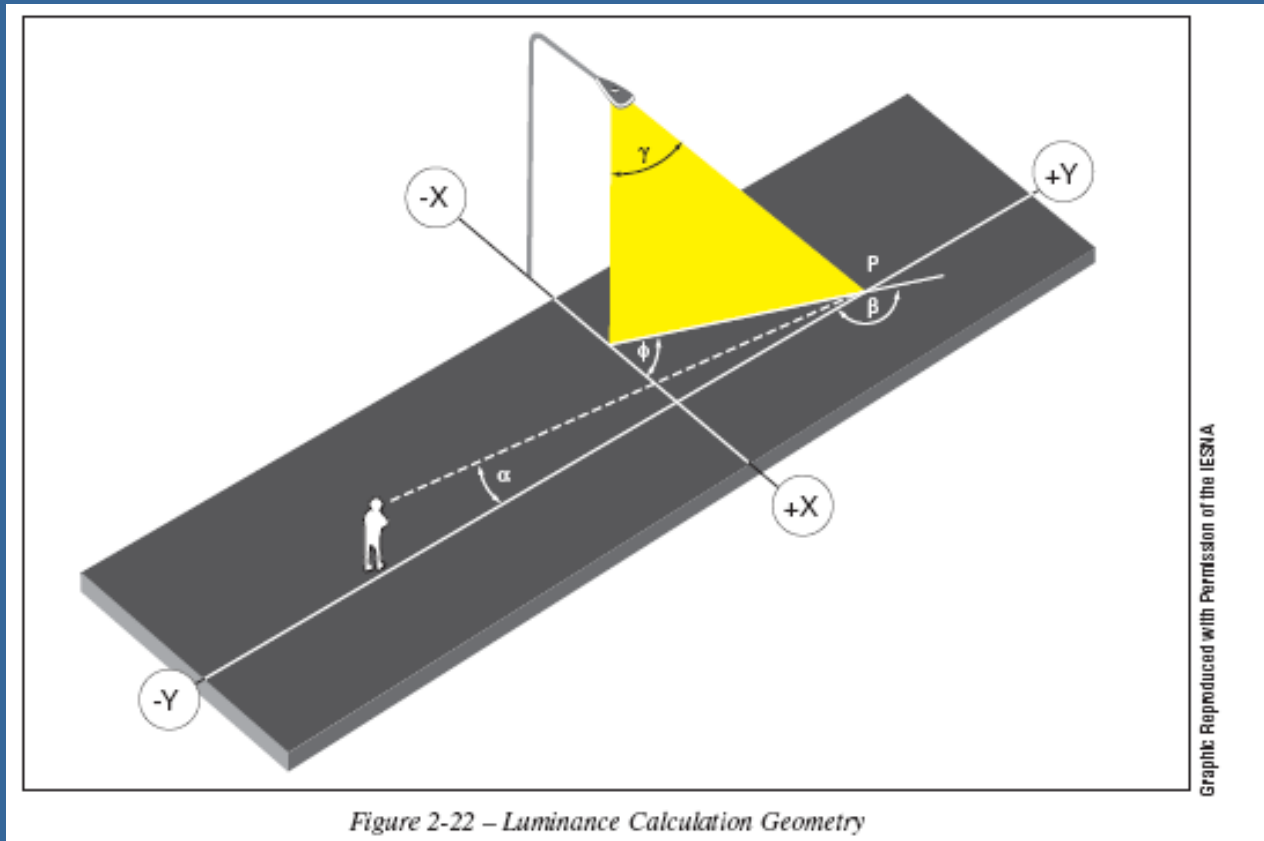


# Luminance Design Method

Direction of View - 1 degree angle ( $\alpha$ )

Distance - 83.07m

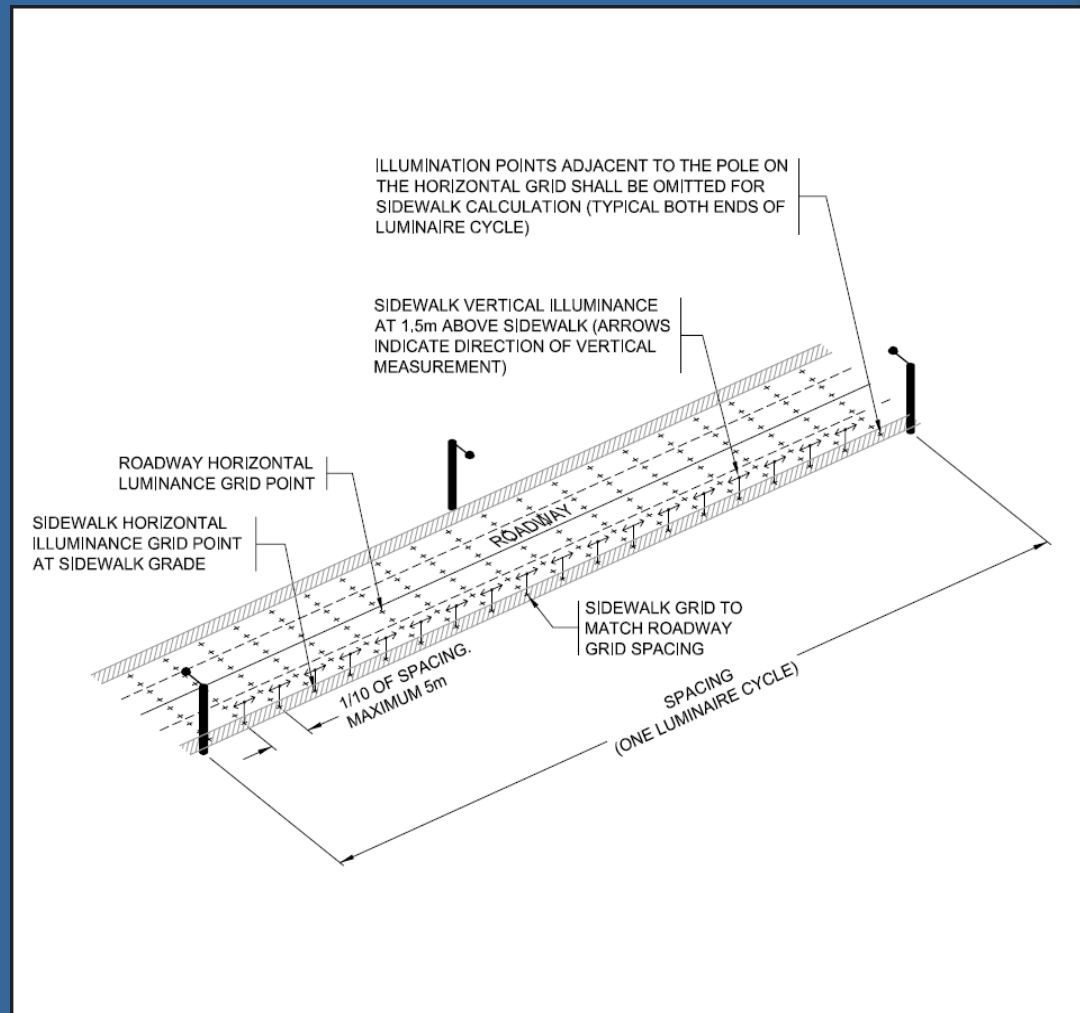
Height - 1.45m



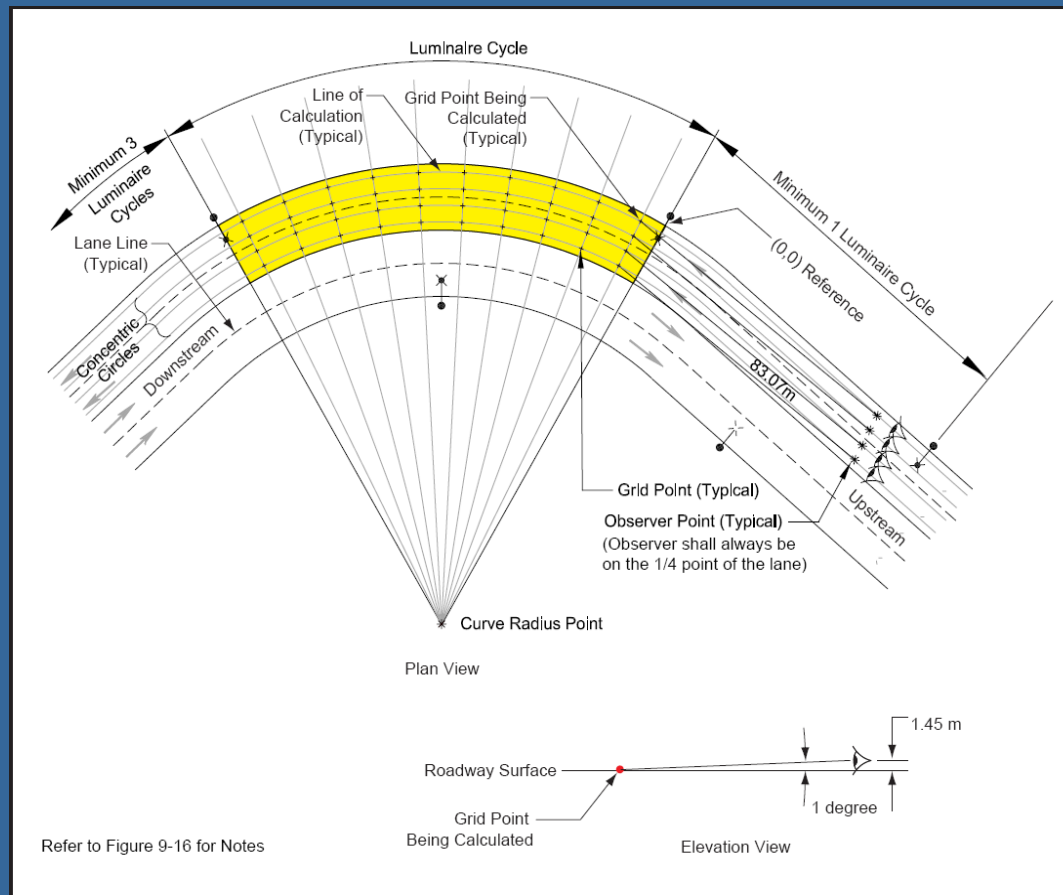
# Roadway Pedestrian Illuminance Levels (Sidewalks)

<b>Pedestrian Activity</b>	<b>Maintained Average Horizontal Illuminance (lux)</b>	<b>Average-to - Minimum Horizontal Uniformity Ratio</b>	<b>Minimum Maintained Vertical Illuminance (lux)</b>
High	$\cong 20.0$	$\cong 4.0$	$\cong 10.0$
Medium	$\cong 5.0$	$\cong 4.0$	$\cong 2.0$
Low	$\cong 3.0$	$\cong 6.0$	$\cong 0.8$

# Roadway Calculation Grids



# Calculation Grid on Curves with $600\text{m} > \text{Radius}$



# Roadway Calculation Example

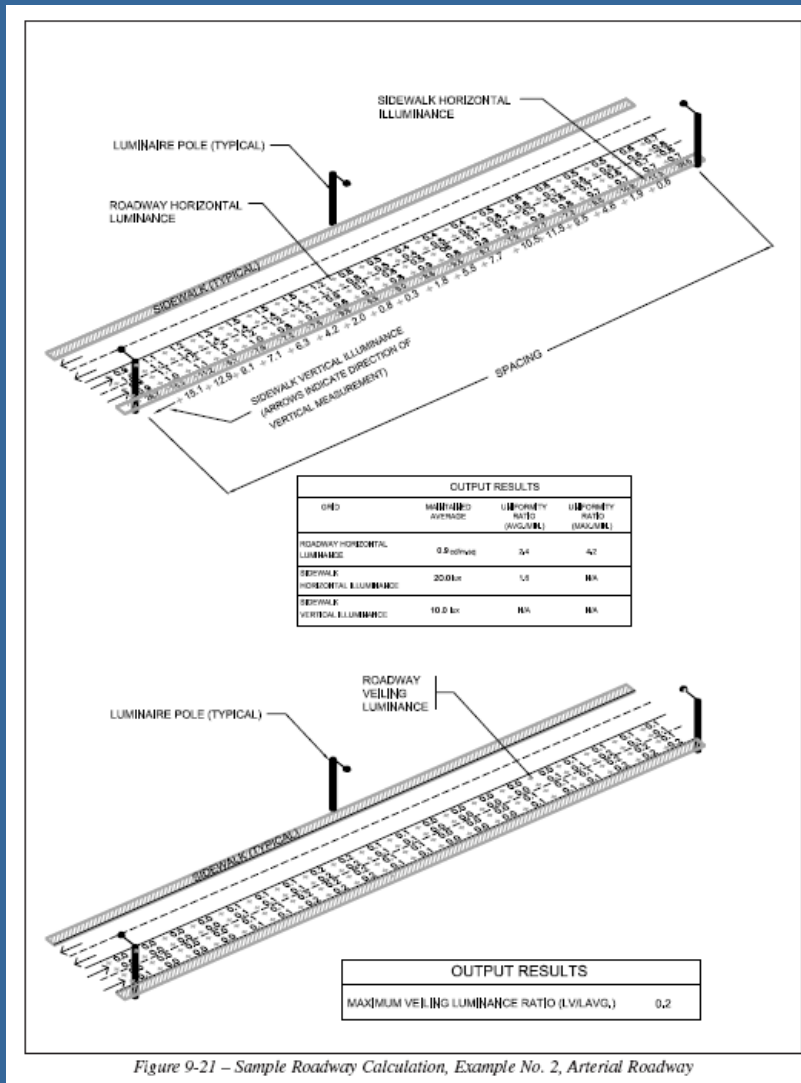
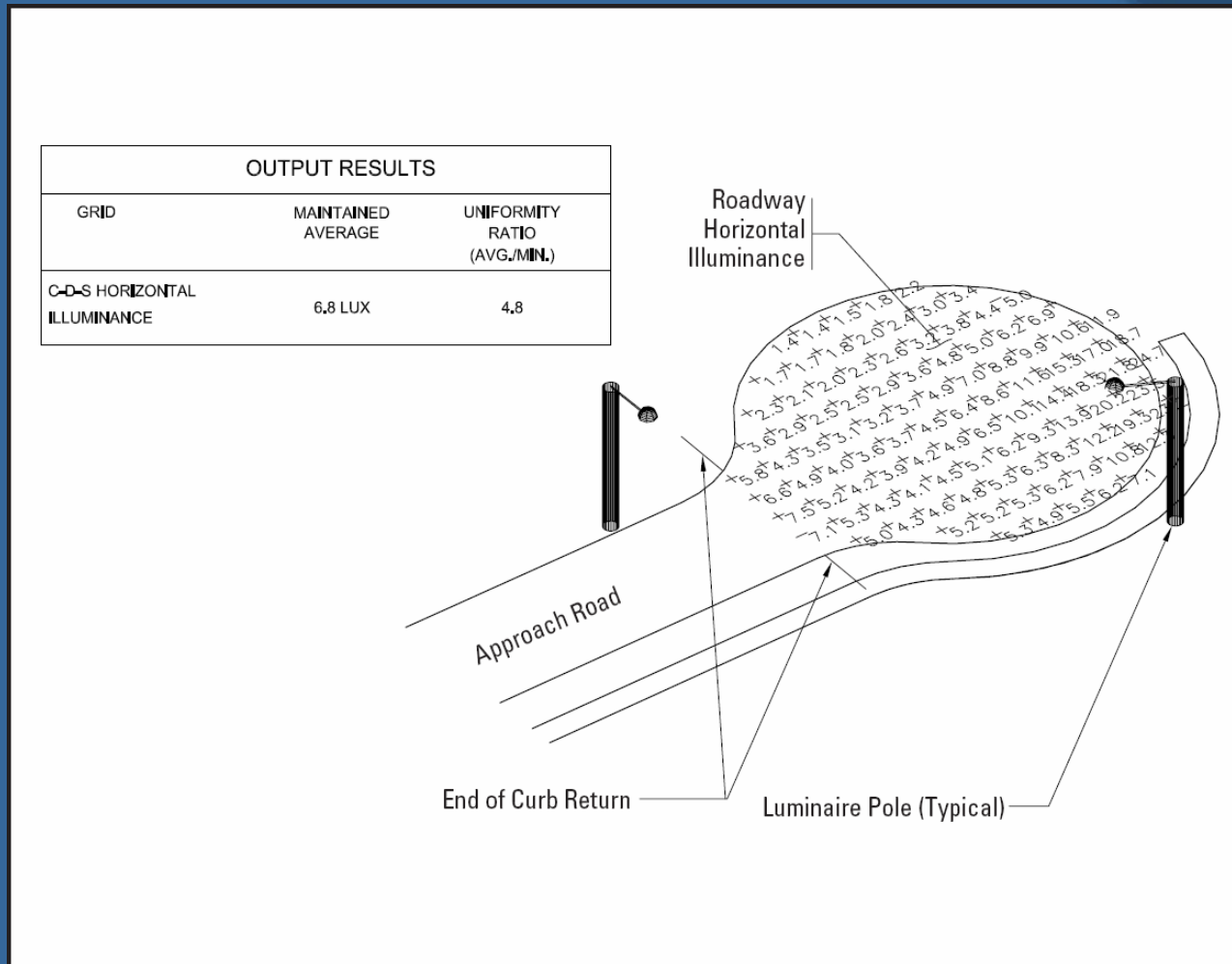


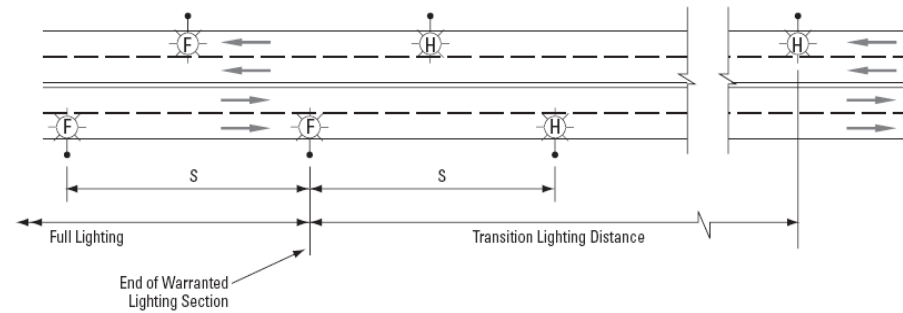
Figure 9-21 – Sample Roadway Calculation, Example No. 2, Arterial Roadway

# Cul-de-sac Lighting

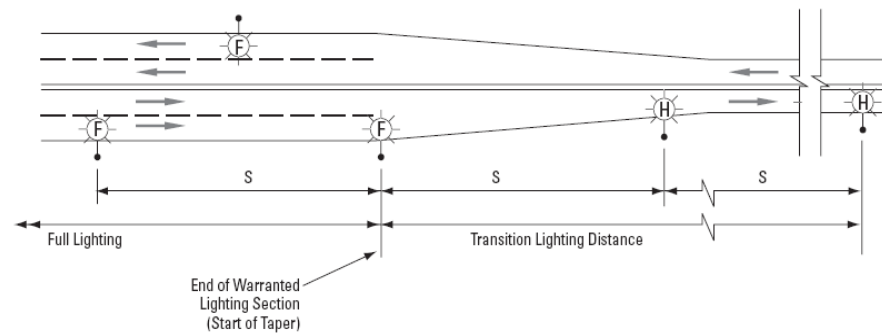


# Transition Lighting



Transition Lighting on Consistent Road Width



Transition Lighting on Tapering Road Width



Notes

1.  Luminaires have approximately half the lumen output of  Luminaires.
2. Spacing, "S," shall be constant for the length of the transition and meet the uniformity requirements for the given road type and pedestrian activity.

# Transition Lighting Distances

Design Speed (km/h)	Minimum Transition Distance (m)
50	210
60	250
70	295
80	335
90	375
100	420
110	460



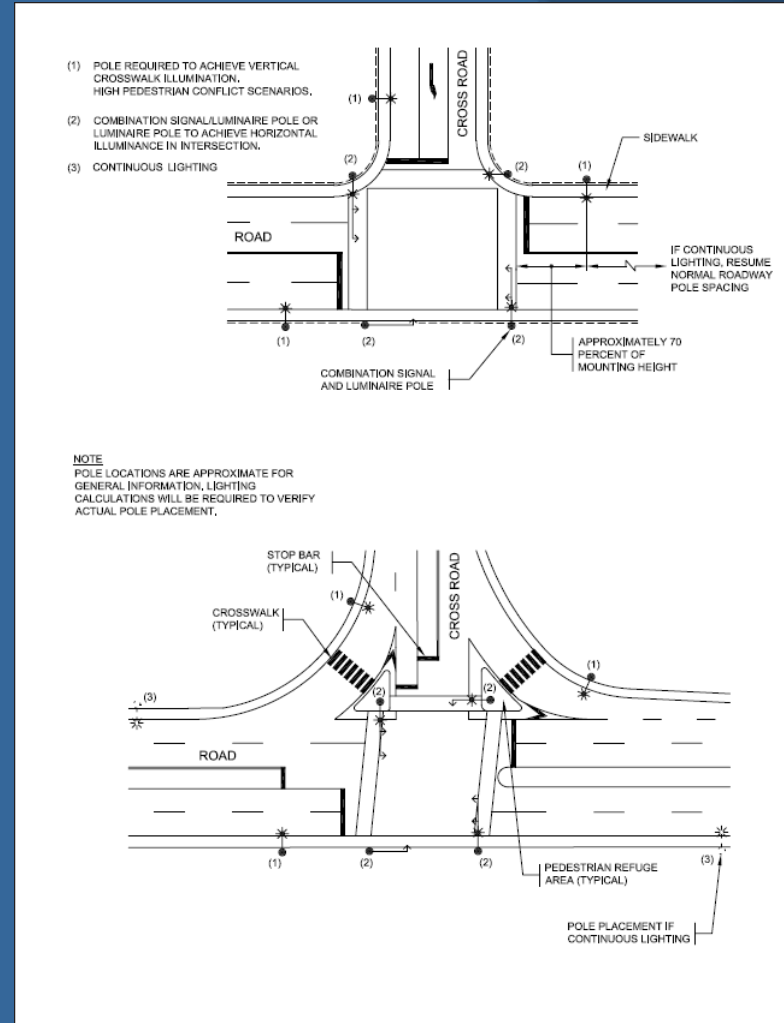
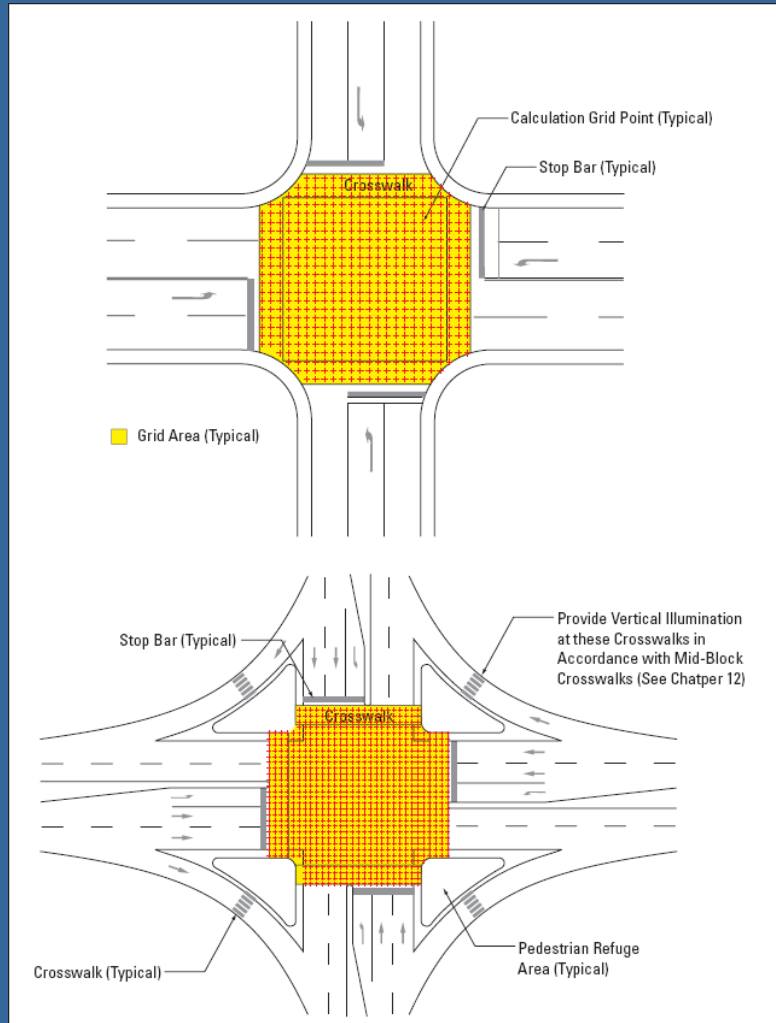
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# Intersection Lighting

Roadway Classification	Average Maintained Illuminance at Pavement by Pedestrian Conflict (lux)			Average-to-Minimum Uniformity Ratio
	High	Medium	Low	
Arterial/Arterial	34.0	26.0	18.0	$\cong 3.0$
Arterial/Collector	29.0	22.0	15.0	$\cong 3.0$
Arterial/Local	26.0	20.0	13.0	$\cong 3.0$
Expressway-Highway/Arterial	31.0	25.0	18.0	$\cong 3.0$
Expressway-Highway/ Expressway-Highway/	28.0	24.0	18.0	$\cong 3.0$
Expressway-Highway/Collector	26.0	21.0	15.0	$\cong 3.0$
Expressway-Highway/Local	23.0	19.0	13.0	$\cong 3.0$
Collector/Collector	24.0	18.0	12.0	$\cong 4.0$
Collector/Local	21.0	16.0	10.0	$\cong 4.0$
Local/Local	18.0	14.0	8.0	$\cong 6.0$

# Intersection Lighting



# Intersection Calculation Example

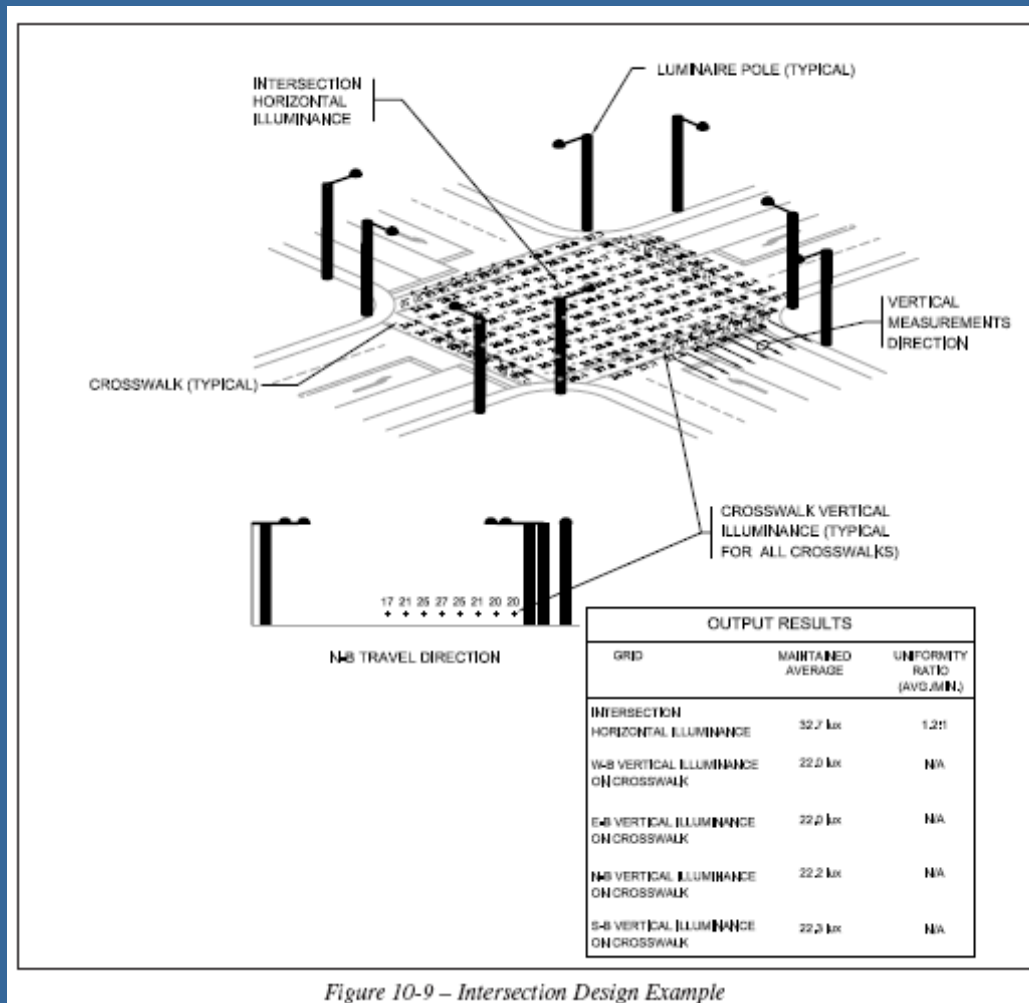
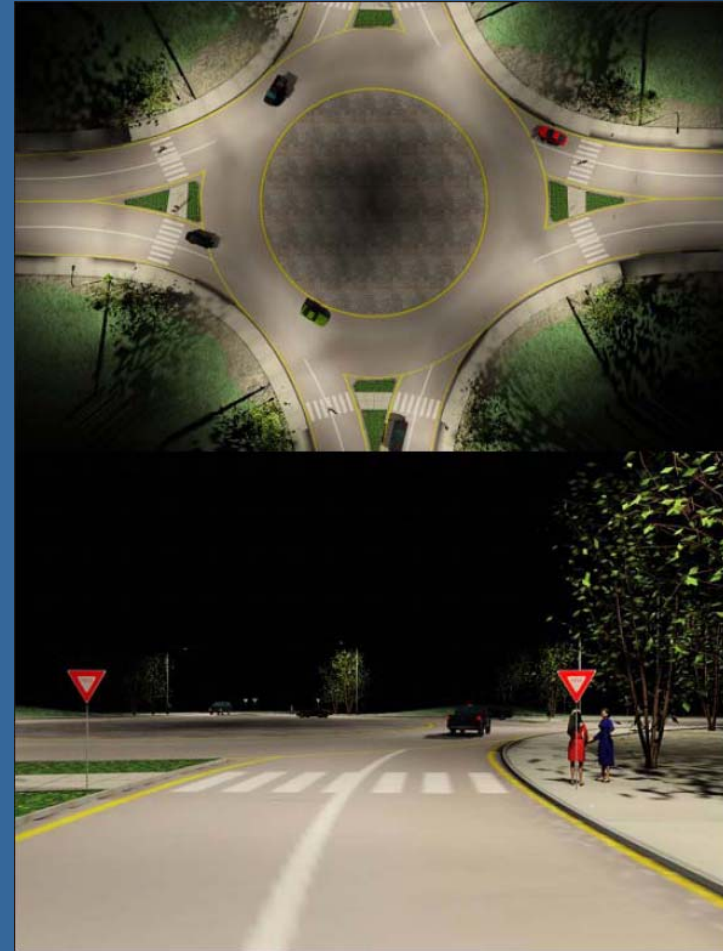


Figure 10-9 – Intersection Design Example

# Roundabout Lighting



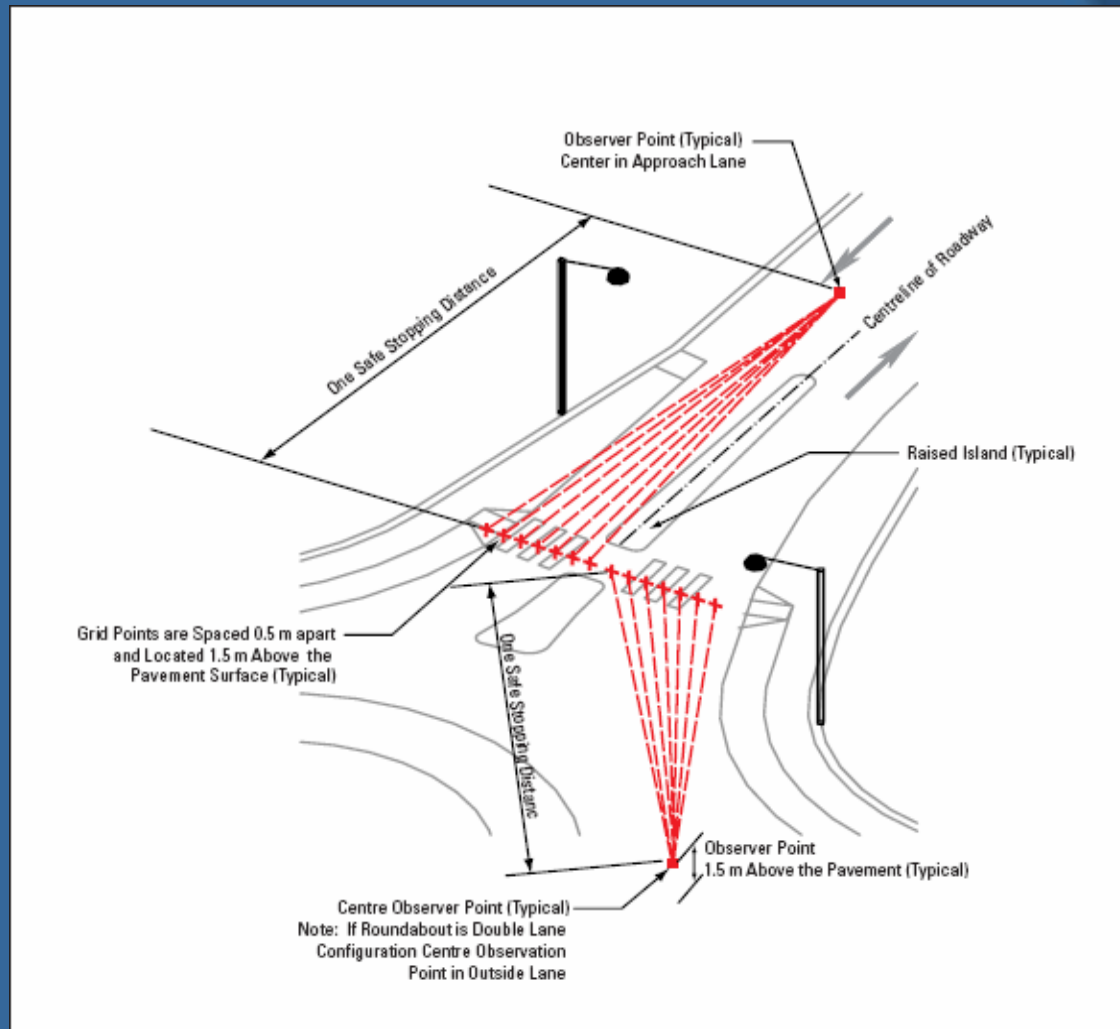
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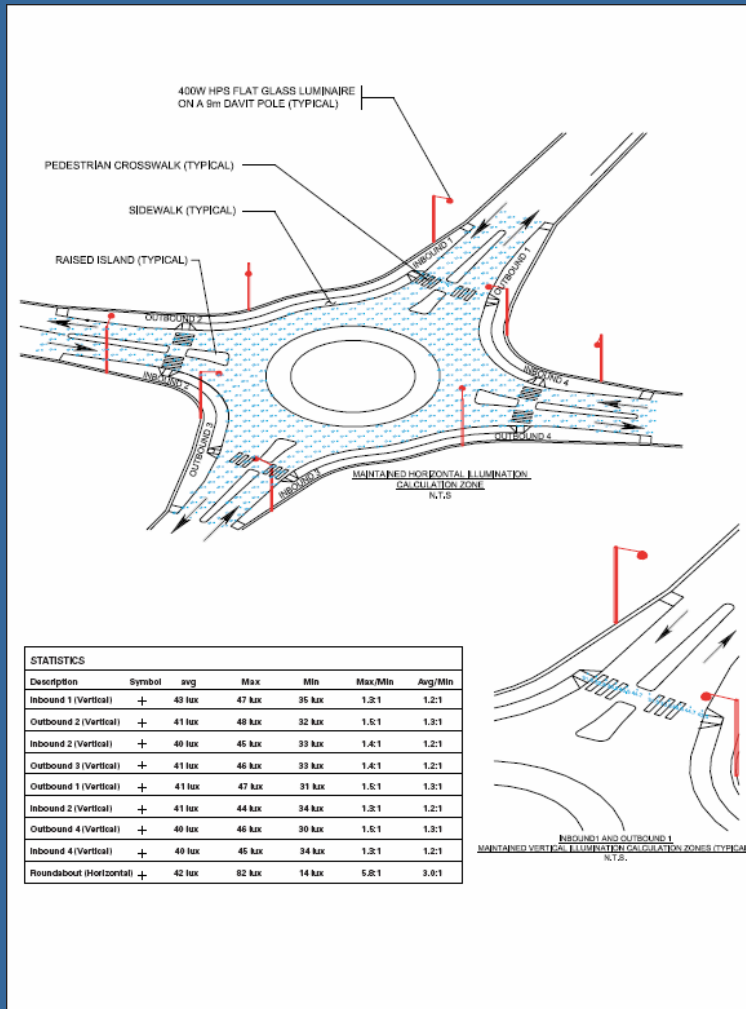
*Figure 2-14 – Examples of Negative and Positive Contrast.*



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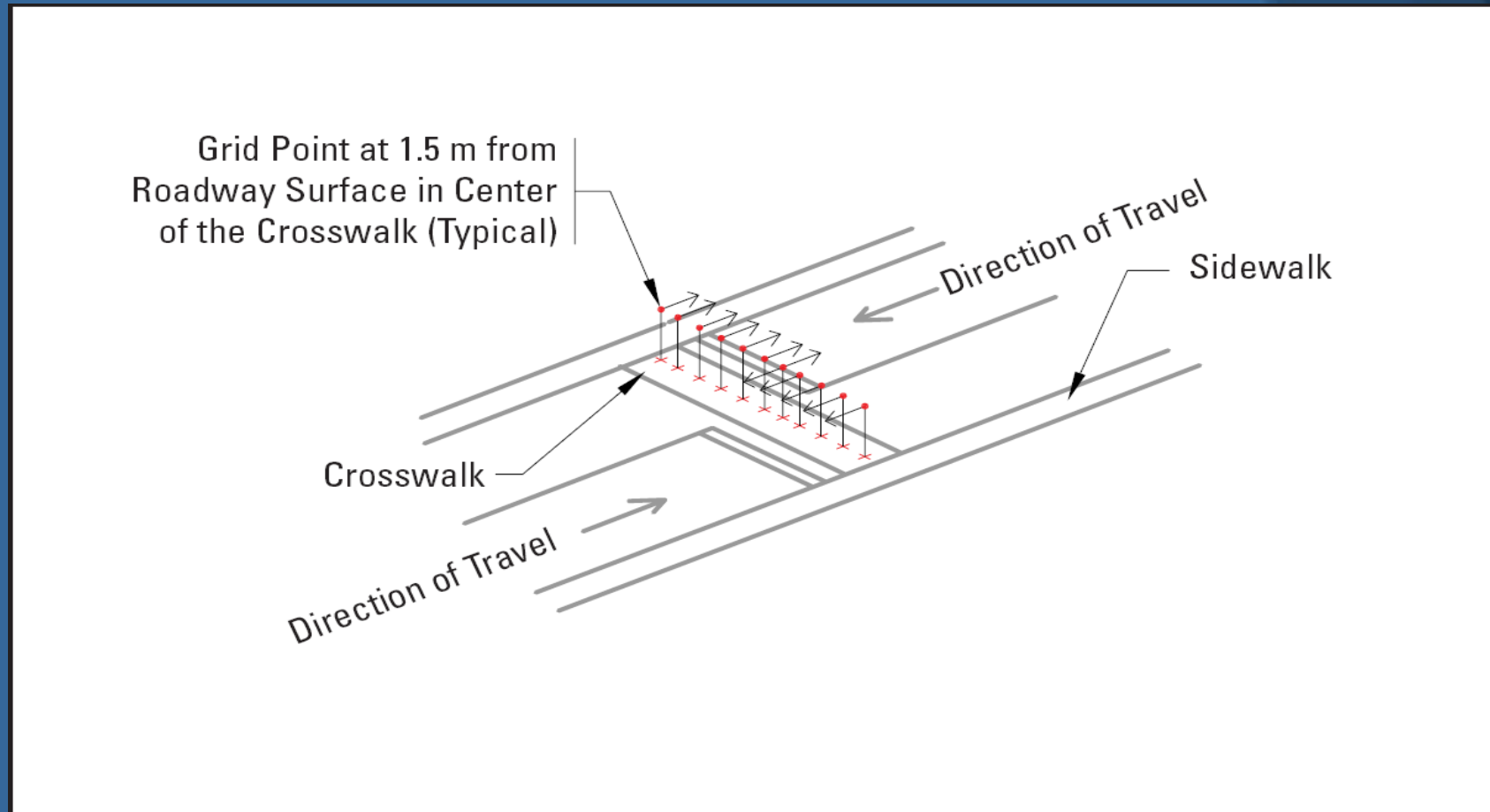


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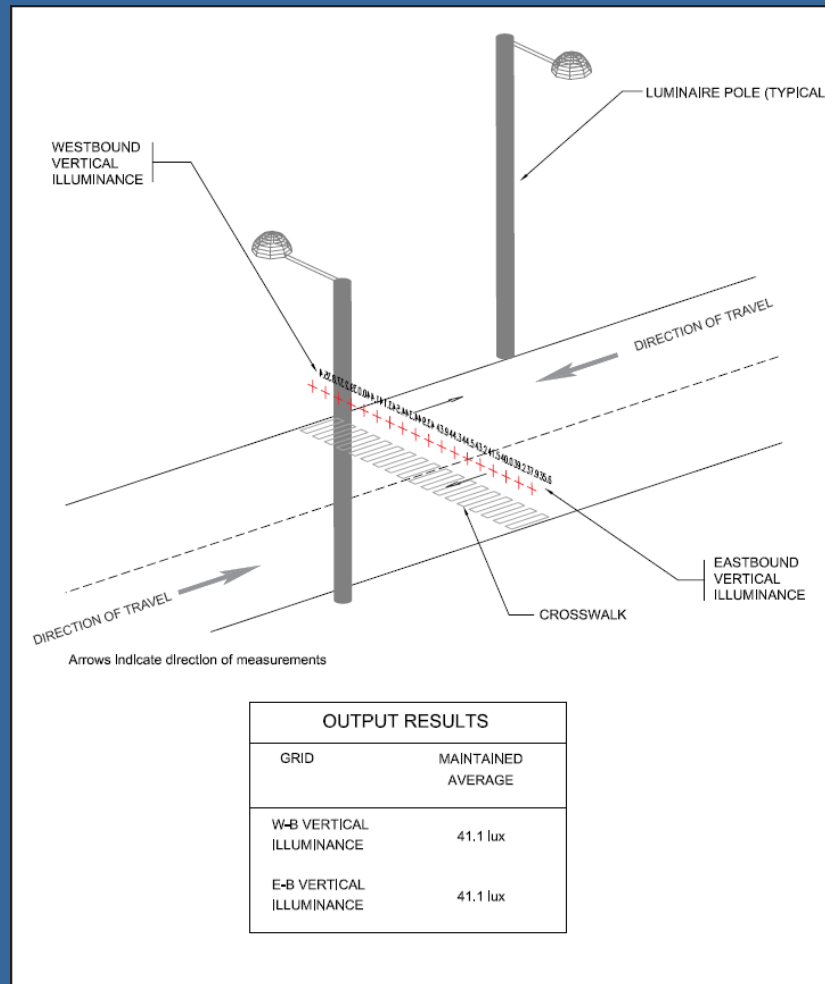




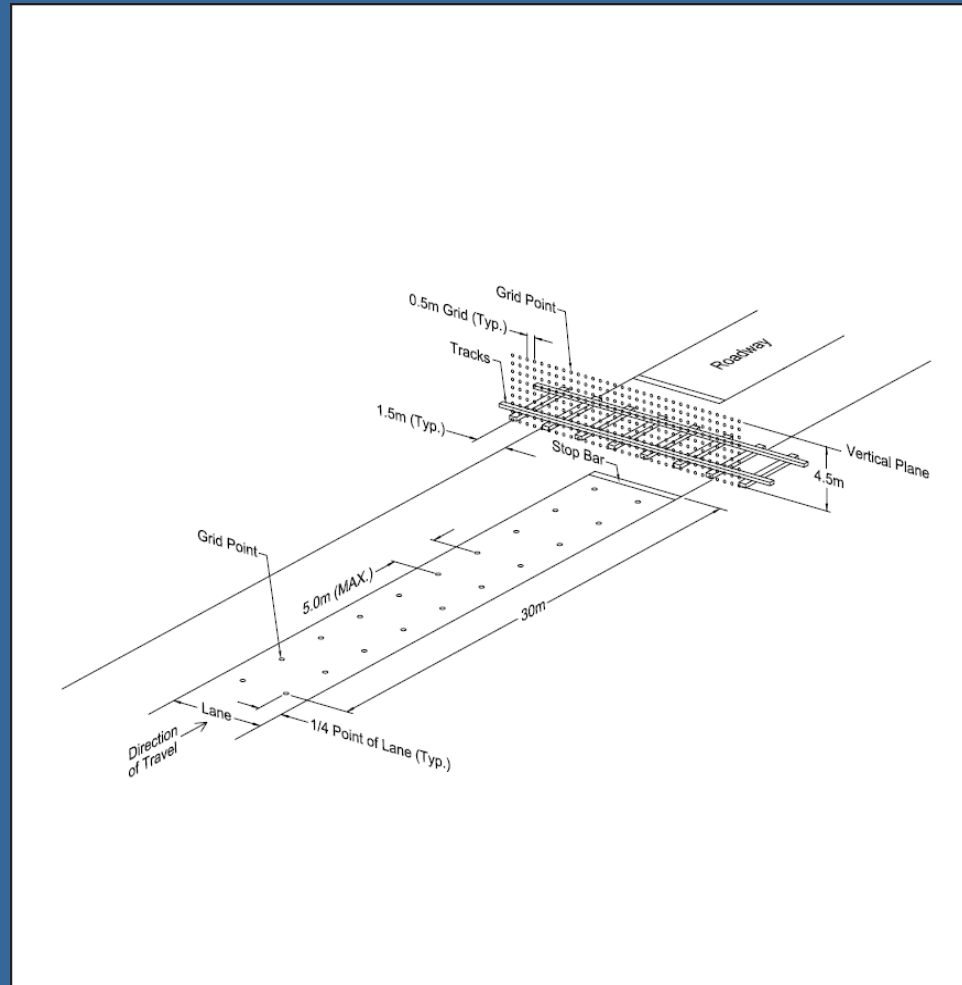
# Mid Block Crosswalk Lighting



# Mid Block Crosswalk Lighting



# Railway Crossing Lighting



# Railway Crossing Lighting

Based Transport Canada RTD-10

## Warrants

- Railway Crossing is unrestricted
- No signals
- Posted Speed on Roadway 50 km/h or greater
- Trains running at speeds less than 24 km/h (spur type line)

# Walkways and Bikeways

Description	Maintained Average Horizontal Illuminance	Maintained Average Vertical Illuminance
Walkways and Bikeways for Security	NA	$\geq 5.0$ lux
Walkways and Bikeways for Guidance	$\geq 5.0$ lux	NA
Pedestrian Stairways for Security	NA	$\geq 5.0$ lux
Pedestrian Stairways for Guidance	$\geq 5.0$ lux	NA
Pedestrian and Cyclist Tunnels for Security	NA	$\geq 54.0$
Pedestrian and Cyclist Tunnels for Guidance	$\geq 43$ lux	NA

# Parking Lot Lighting

<b>Description</b>	<b>Maintained Average Horizontal Illuminance</b>	<b>Average to Minimum Uniformity Ratio</b>
Basic Parking Lot Illumination Level	10.0 lux	5.0:1
Enhanced Parking Lot Illumination	25.0 lux	5.0:1

# Streetscape Lighting



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# Streetscape Lighting

- Obtrusive Lighting
- Surrounds
- Color
- Vertical Surface Illumination
- Grazing Light
- Accent Lighting





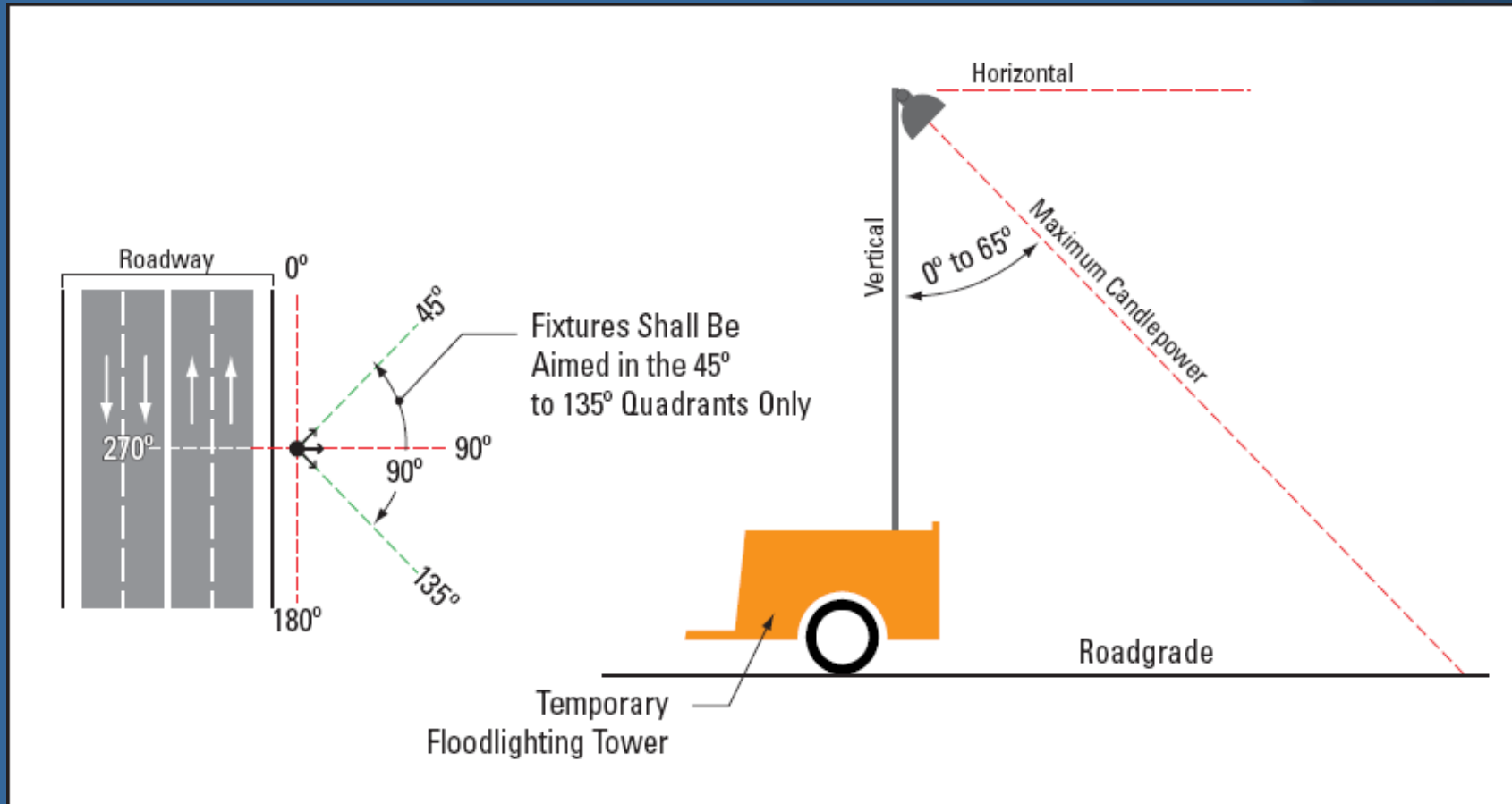
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# Work Zone Lighting

Category	Minimum Illuminance Level	Area of Illumination	Application	Example Areas and Activities for Illumination
1	54 lux	General illumination through spaces	Large size visual task; low accuracy; general safety requirements	Excavation; sweeping and cleaning; movement areas in work zones; movement between tasks
2	108 lux	General illumination of tasks around equipment	Medium size visual task; low to medium contrast; medium accuracy; safety on around equipment	Paving; milling; concrete work around paver, miller and other construction equipment
3	216 lux	Illumination on task	High size visual task; low contrast; high accuracy and fine finish	Crack filling; pot filling; signalization or similar work requiring extreme caution and attention

# Work Zone Lighting



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## Questions and Answers