ITEM 645.77   15 - COVERING AND UNCOVERING SIGNS

DESCRIPTION
This work shall consist of covering and uncovering signs in accordance with the contract documents and as directed by the Engineer.

MATERIALS
Material used to cover sign panels shall be of an opaque, porous, and windproof fabric. Plastic, mesh, translucent or transparent materials will not be allowed. The covering material shall be a single neutral color, except orange or yellow, and shall not contain any wording or images.

CONSTRUCTION DETAILS
Signs shall be covered and uncovered to eliminate noncurrent, conflicting, or unneeded information, per the Contract Documents. The cover shall be held in place and positioned so that none of the sign face shows. More than one layer of fabric may be required to prevent legibility of the sign legend to be covered.

The cover shall be folded over the top and bottom of panel edges, but not on the sides, and secured to the back of the sign panel. Adhesive materials shall not be attached to the face of the sign panel nor shall holes be drilled in the sign panel or posts. Coverings that work loose shall be re-secured by the Contractor at no additional cost to the State. The cover shall remain in place until the sign is no longer in conflict with conditions or no longer required per the Contract Documents.

For the uncovering operation, the cover shall be detached from the sign panel and post so that no part of the covering device is attached. All covering materials shall be removed from the project site.

METHOD OF MEASUREMENT
This work will be measured as the number of square meters measured to the nearest 0.01 square meter of sign panels satisfactory covered and uncovered.

The area will be measured as the product of length and width for each panel. No reductions will be made for rounded corners or shapes.

BASIS OF PAYMENT
The unit price bid for Covering and Uncovering sign panels shall include the cost of Covering and Uncovering permanent signs. Covering and uncovering construction signs will be paid for under 619-3 Basic Work Zone Traffic Control, H. Construction Signs.