

Road Crossing Installation Procedures

Procedures and Stipulations for the Installation of New Road Crossings

To enhance highway-rail grade crossing safety, Watco Companies endorses the concept of reducing the number of at-grade crossings, both public and private, through consolidation, elimination, grade separation and restriction of the number of new crossings installed. Because of safety concerns, every effort must be made to obtain alternative access to property adjacent to the railroad. Parallel or other roads leading to existing crossings and access from other directions must first be considered. In making an application, the applicant understands and agrees that if permission for the crossing is granted, the applicant will be required to enter into an agreement with the Railroad.

Basic terms to the agreement are as follows:

1. All construction work for new crossings from end of tie to end of tie within the track area must be performed by Watco Companies forces at applicant's sole expense.
2. All grading and drainage work on roadway approaches, including maintenance, will be the responsibility of applicant at applicant's sole expense.
3. All relocation of utilities due to construction of a new crossing (if any) is at applicant's sole expense.
4. Any maintenance work performed by Watco Companies forces will be at applicant's sole expense.
5. Any current or future warning devices required for the crossing (passive or active) will be installed and maintained by Watco Companies forces at applicant's expense.
6. All liability for accidents or injuries which arise as a result of the construction, maintenance and use of the crossing is assumed by applicant.
7. A current certificate evidencing insurance coverage in the following amounts is required as outlined in [Exhibit "B"](#).
8. Before any construction begins on a new crossing, applicant must enter into written agreement with Watco Companies and make payment to Watco Companies for the estimated cost of construction work.
9. Applicant will pay Watco Companies all required engineering review fees and license fees.
10. Before performing any work on Watco Companies property, applicant is responsible for locating any fiber optics on Watco Companies property.

11. The [Application](#) must be printed and completed in its entirety. Completed applications and a nonrefundable payment of \$600.00 (made payable to Watco Companies)

Failure to complete the application in full may delay processing. Please allow a minimum of 30 days for processing existing crossing requests and a minimum of 180 days for new crossing requests.

12. Considering on the scope of the work and proximity to our tracks we will require that Railroad Protective Liability Insurance be obtained, in addition to general liability insurance.