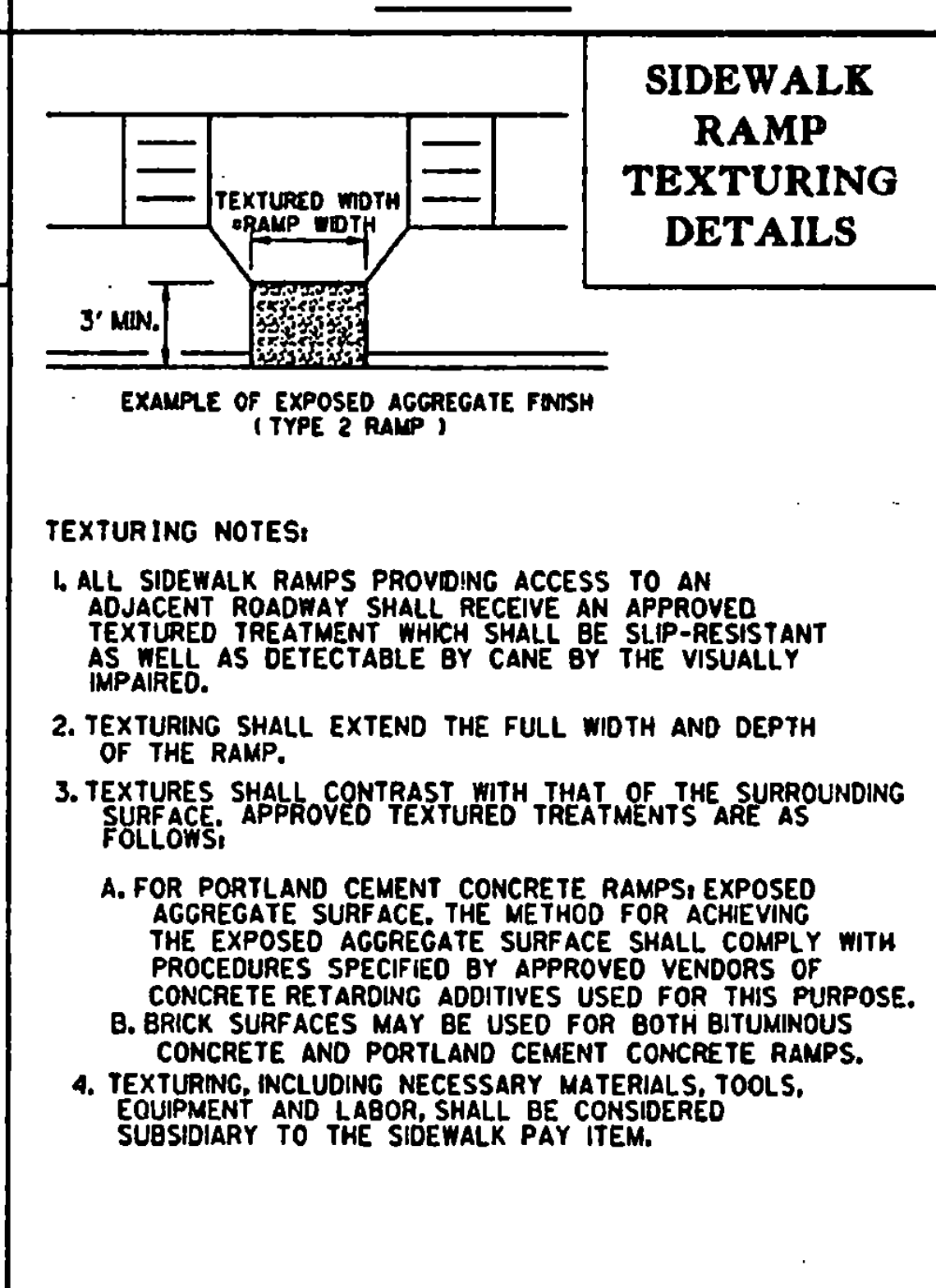
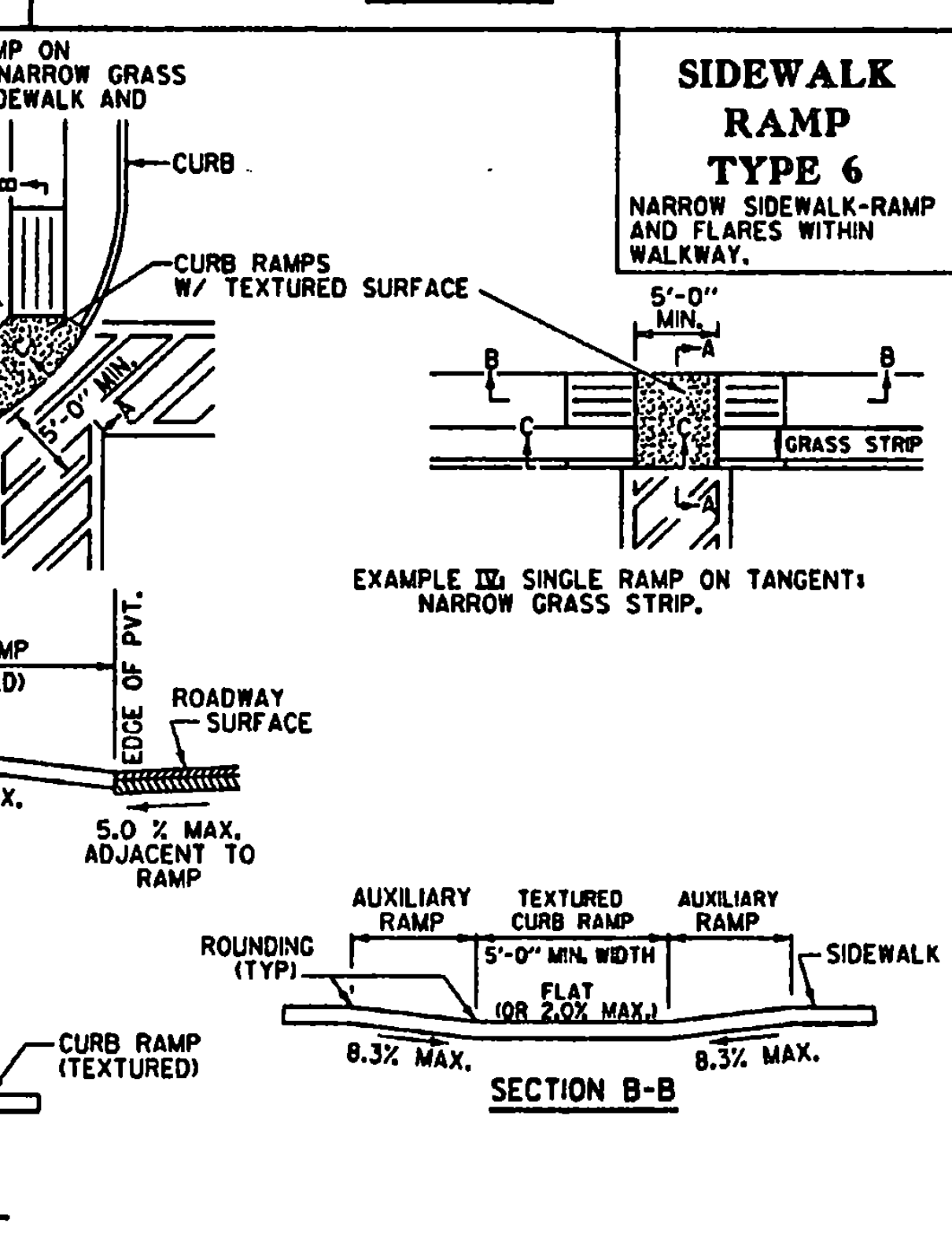
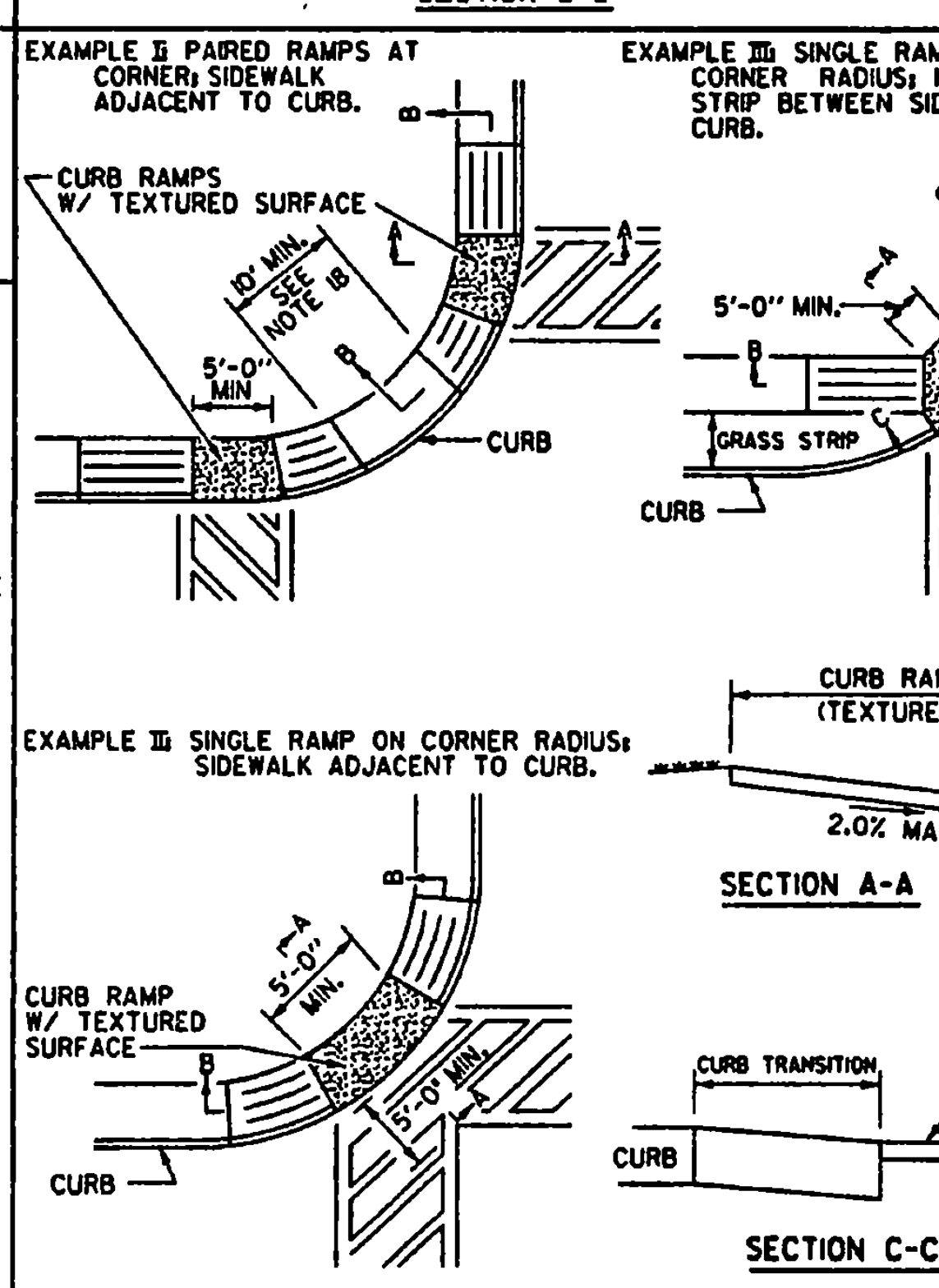
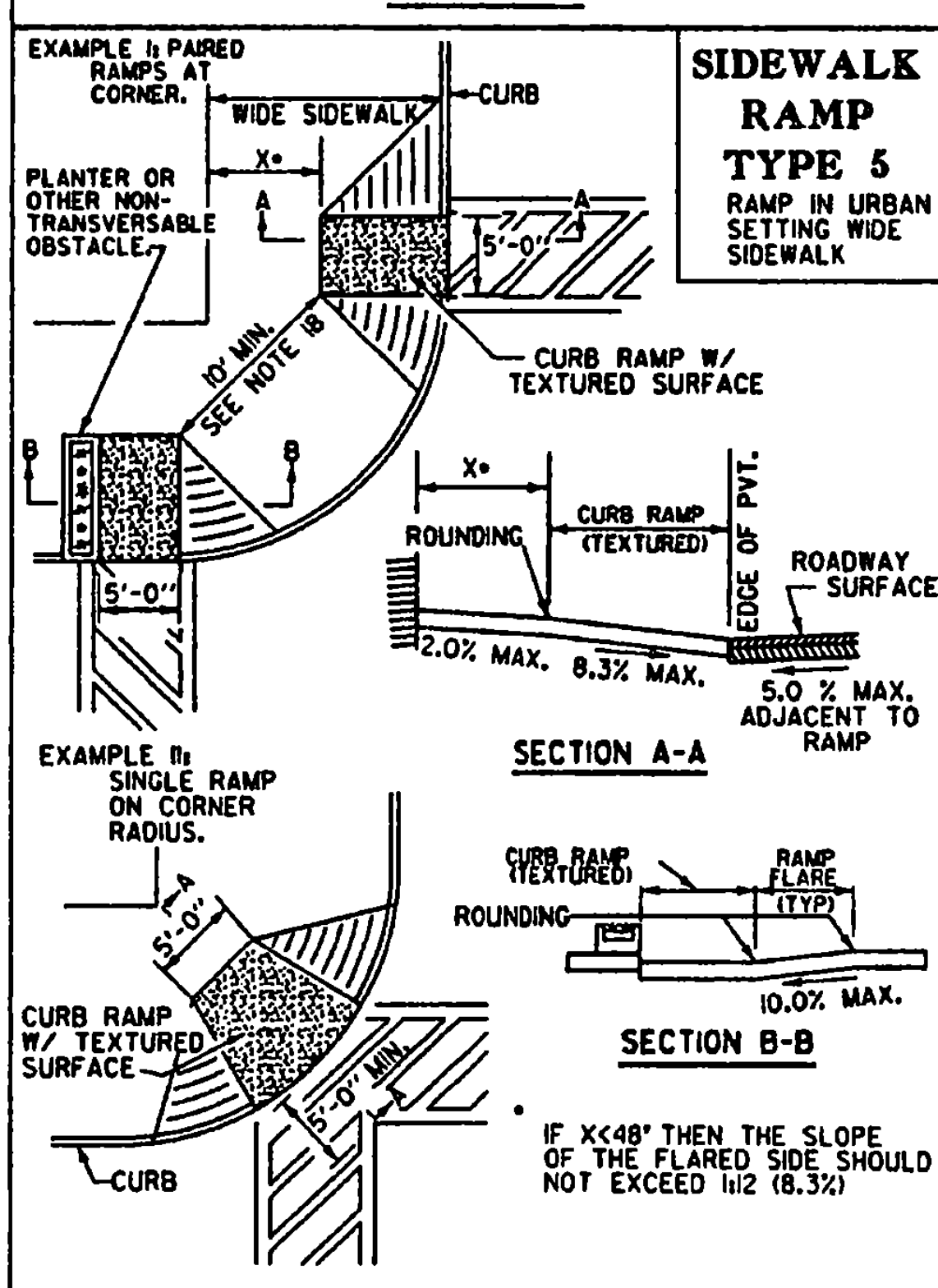


GENERAL NOTES:

- THE DIMENSIONS AND GRADES SHOWN ON THIS STANDARD WILL BE ADHERED TO IN THE DESIGN AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALK RAMP. WHERE SIDEWALKS RUN ADJACENT TO ROADWAYS ON STEEP (5% OR GREATER) GRADES, RAMP GRADES WILL BE AS FLAT AS POSSIBLE. (ON LOW SIDE OF DRIVES AND INTERSECTING SIDE STREETS, RAMP SHALL SLOPE TOWARDS DRIVE OR SIDE STREET @ 2%)
- MINIMUM RAMP WIDTH:
 - 4' WHERE RAMP MAY BE APPROACHED DIRECTLY.
 - 5'-0" WHERE THE RAMP MUST BE (OR OFTEN WILL BE) APPROACHED FROM THE SIDE, TO PROVIDE MANEUVERING ROOM FOR WHEELCHAIRS.
- ALLOWABLE GRADES ON RAMP:
 - 8.3% MAXIMUM WHERE RAMP IS APPROACHED DIRECTLY.
 - 2.0% WHERE RAMP IS APPROACHED FROM THE SIDE.
 - FLATTER GRADES WILL BE PROVIDED WHERE FEASIBLE.
- ALLOWABLE GRADES ON FLARES ADJACENT TO RAMP:
 - 10.0% MAXIMUM WHEN DIRECTLY IN PATH THAT PEDESTRIANS MUST USE.
 - 8.3% MAXIMUM WHEN NORMALLY USED BY WHEELCHAIRS TO ENTER OR EXIT RAMP.
 - FLATTER GRADES WILL BE PROVIDED WHERE FEASIBLE.
- CROSS SLOPES ON RAMP SURFACES SHALL NOT EXCEED 2.0%.
- AN OVERRUN DISTANCE OF 5' MINIMUM SHOULD BE PROVIDED AT THE TOP AND BOTTOM OF SIDEWALK RAMP TO ALLOW FOR STOPPING AND MANEUVERING OF WHEELCHAIRS.
- TRANSITIONS (GRADE CHANGES) AT TOPS AND BOTTOMS OF RAMP AND FLARES SHOULD BE ROUNDED.
- VERTICAL DROP-OFF EDGES TO RAMP WILL NOT BE BUILT UNLESS THE RAMP ABUTS AN AREA WHICH WILL NOT BE USED BY PEDESTRIANS.
- NO VERTICAL 'LIP' OR 'CURB REVEAL' WILL BE PROVIDED WHERE THE RAMP ADJOINS THE ROADWAY.
- RAMP SHALL IN ALL CASES DIRECT USERS INTO THE CROSSWALK AREA.
- WHERE POSSIBLE, SIDEWALK RAMP AND FLARES SHOULD BE LOCATED OUTSIDE THE DIRECT LINE OF TRAVEL MOST LIKELY TO BE FOLLOWED BY THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED.
- SIDEWALK RAMP SHOULD NOT BE LOCATED WHERE THEIR USE MAY BE PREVENTED BY SIGNS, POLES, PLANTERS, MAILBOXES, ETC.
- WHERE POSSIBLE, SIDEWALK RAMP SHOULD NOT BE LOCATED WHERE USERS MUST CROSS DROP INLET GRATES, MANHOLE COVERS OR OTHER ACCESS LIDS. IF THIS CANNOT BE AVOIDED THEN GRATE DESIGN AND PLACEMENT SHALL CONFORM TO ADA REQUIREMENTS.
- CURB DRAINAGE SHOULD BE CONSTRUCTED SO AS TO PRECLUDE THE FLOW OF WATER PAST THE SIDEWALK RAMP.
- WHERE CURB CORNER RADIUS EXCEEDS 25', TWO SIDEWALK RAMP ARE RECOMMENDED IN PREFERENCE TO A SINGLE RAMP.
- JOINTS WILL BE CONSTRUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH CURRENT SIDEWALK SPECIFICATIONS, HOWEVER EXPANSION JOINTS WITHIN THE SIDEWALK RAMP AREA WILL BE AVOIDED WHEREVER POSSIBLE.
- SLOPES OF ADJOINING GUTTERS AND ROAD SURFACES IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO THE CURB RAMP SHALL NOT EXCEED 1/20 (5%). NO LIP IS ALLOWED WHERE SIDEWALK RAMP MEETS THE GUTTER.
- THIS DIMENSION SHALL BE ATTAINED WHERE POSSIBLE TO AVOID THE ROLLER COASTER EFFECT.



REVISIONS AND CORRECTIONS

SEPT. 15, 1993 - REVISED TO CONFORM TO ADA REQUIREMENTS

JUNE 1, 1994 - REISSUED, WITHOUT CHANGE, UNDER NEW SIGNATURES.

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