

UNIVERSAL TAU-M Crash Cushion – Permanent & Temporary

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	These conditions do take precedence	e over instructions in the Product Manual.	

Status	Recommended for Acceptance
Product accepted	UNIVERSAL TAU-M Crash Cushion
	Variants
	Variants that are NOT listed above are NOT recommended for acceptance.
Accepted impact speed	70 km/h (TL2) 100 km/h (TL3)
Product manual reviewed	P/N TAU-M (ECN 3883)

Design Requirements

	Point of Redirection		Tostod Article Longth	Anchor/Post Spacing	
Containment Level	Leading (m)	Trailing (m)	(m)	(m)	Notes
MASH TL2	Fully redirective		4.33	Refer to drawings	
MASH TL3	Fully redirective		6.93	Refer to drawings	

Approved Connections

An accepted end treatment must be provided at both ends of all barrier installations			
Public Domain Products			
W-Beam Guardrail	Permitted - reverse impacts into the transition section can produce a greater occupant severity		
Thrie-Beam Guardrail	value than preferred. Where reverse impacts are possible (e.g. bidirectional traffic) a risk assessment must be completed and steps to mitigate the likelihood of reverse impact should be		
Concrete	implemented.		
Proprietary Products			
	Refer to Safety Barrier Technical Conditions for Use for approved connections		

Design Guidance

System length (m)	4.33 (TL2)
	6.93 (TL3)
System width (m)	0.76
Side slope limit	7%
System conditions	Installation on top of a kerb is not recommended, however if installed on top of a kerb all system components must be free to operate

Gore area use	Permitted
Pedestrian area use	Permitted
Cycleway use	Permitted
Frequent impact likely	Permitted
Remote location	Permitted
Median use	Permitted

Foundation Pavement Conditions					
Pavement Type	Use	Max Accepted Impact Speed (km/h)	Post/Pin Spacing (m)	Post/Pin Type	Pavement Construction
Concrete	Permitted	100	Refer to drawings	M20 x 210mm threaded rod with epoxy	Installation on concrete pavement or pad is permitted in accordance with manufacturer's drawing
Deep lift asphaltic concrete					
Asphaltic concrete over granular pavement	Permitted	100	Refer to drawings	M20 x 460mm threaded rod with epoxy	Min 150mm AC 150mm sub-base
Flush seal over granular pavement	Not permittee	b			
Unsealed compacted formation					

Note: Installation in pavement conditions not permitted above have not been justified to the Panel's satisfaction.