



# ACCESSIBLE PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL REQUEST FORM

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## PERSON OR ENTITY MAKING REQUEST

Name:

Address:

City/Town:

State:

Zip Code:

Phone #:

Email (if any):

Affiliation (if any):

How would you best like to be reached?

Mail

Email

Phone

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## LOCATION WHERE APS IS BEING REQUESTED

Intersection &/or Corner of:

City/Town:

Reason for Request (PLEASE attach additional page(s) or pictures if needed):

**SIGNATURE:**

**DATE:**

Please contact CDOT with questions, or to seek assistance in filling out this form and/or mail form to:

**CDOT Civil Rights & Business Resource**  
**Center 2829 W. Howard Pl.**  
**Denver, CO 80204**  
**Email: [dot\\_civilrights@state.co.us](mailto:dot_civilrights@state.co.us)**

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***This area for CDOT office use***

**Date Received:**

**Received by:**

**Final Outcome:**

## **What is the definition of Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS)?**

An accessible pedestrian signal (APS) provides the information that is conveyed in visual WALK signals in an audible, verbal, and/or vibrotactile manner indicating the crossing phase to pedestrians who are blind or have low vision/visual impairments. It provides access to one piece of information that a pedestrian can use to make the best decision possible about when it is safe to cross the street.

## **What Does the M.U.T.C.D. Say about APS?**

The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) issued by the Federal Highway Administration is, by law, the national standard for all traffic control devices including APS. Section 4E.06 of the MUTCD 2003 edition states, "If a particular signalized location presents difficulties for pedestrians who have visual disabilities to cross reasonably safely and effectively, an engineering study should be conducted that considers the safety and effectiveness for all pedestrians in general, as well as the information needs of pedestrians with visual disabilities." The MUTCD provides information crucial in conducting such a study and the decision-making process for determining if there is a need for an APS. Once it has been decided to install an APS, sections 4E.08 through 4E.13 prescribe certain mandatory and recommended features and operational requirements. The MUTCD is available at <http://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov/index.htm>

## **What does The U.S. Access Board say about APS?**

Guidelines developed by The U.S. Access Board call for APS to be installed at all newly signalized or altered intersections that include the installation of visual pedestrian signals. If visual pedestrian signals are warranted, then audible and vibrotactile output is necessary as well. Although the federal rulemaking process to adopt The U.S. Access Board's guidelines into ADA regulations is not yet complete, the guidelines and supplementary information are available at this Web address: <http://www.access-board.gov/research/pro/interfacing-aps/abstract/> or contact the Access Board at 202-272-0080 (voice) or 202-272-0082 (TTD). Documents are available in alternate formats.