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**ITE Context Sensitive
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Manual for Streets

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the ITE process...

**why are
we looking
at these
documents?**

- **ITE adoption process**
- **comments on draft guidelines**
- **major issues collected thus far...**

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the basics:

- Initiated/authored by the Institute of Transportation Engineers and the Congress for the New Urbanism
 - Focuses on Major Urban Thoroughfares
 - Currently in draft format
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- Initiated/authored by the Western Australian Planning Commission; developed with the Department for Planning and Infrastructure
 - Focuses on Arterials and Local Streets
 - Edition 3 adopted as optional code and released as draft policy prior to formal adoption as non-optional code and policy
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- Authored by the Department for Transport and Communities and Local Government
- Focuses on lightly-trafficked residential streets
- Adopted

overview:

document

(how is it administered?)

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Provides guidance for the development of thoroughfare improvement projects.

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Administered by the state planning body (Western Australian Planning Commission). Developers may choose to comply as an alternative to complying with standard WAPC development control policies.

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Not a policy document; provides general guidelines and recommendations for local authorities.

categorizing streets...

functional

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Functional classification helps establish thoroughfare type, design characteristics, and target speed.

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Streets are classified as either arterial or local streets, with a range of more descriptive street types provided under each classification.

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Recommends moving away from traditional functional classifications, and instead determining street character types based on descriptions of the street's "place and movement function."

addresses the

larger network?

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Encourages local jurisdictions to incorporate CSS into network planning, and to weigh individual thoroughfare design with the regional, sub-regional and neighborhood functions of the thoroughfare.

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Provides arterial and sub-arterial spacing guidelines; provides extensive local street network requirements.

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Recommends that local jurisdictions analyze an area's "movement framework" as part of a street design/ approval process

provides

connectivity

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Encourages jurisdictions to plan for a high level of connectivity when engaging in network planning.

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Provides standards for junction spacing, maximum block length, and street stubbing. Limits the use of cul-de-sacs.

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Notes that street networks should generally be connected internally and externally.

consideration of
land use context

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Helps to determine design
criteria.

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Typical land use context
described within the street
type and function descriptions
of street types. Mainly for
new urban extensions of
predominantly residential and
mixed-use centres.

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Recommends that movement
frameworks and street
character types reflect the
form and type of buildings.

establishing maximum speeds...

target speed vs.

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Target speed range with associated design speed (no greater than 5 mph higher than target speed).

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Max design speed and target operating speed. TOS based on street type and design applications used.

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Recommends designing to keep vehicle speeds at or below 20 mph on residential streets.

requirements for

clear zones...

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Encourages the consideration of pedestrian safety and community input.

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Provides tree clear zone chart (by design speed), noting that clearance areas may be smaller than typical.

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Discusses the traffic calming and place-making benefits of street trees on residential streets. No clear zone requirements.

standards for

bicycles...

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Addresses bike lane width, bike lane treatment at intersections, and on-street parking.

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Cross sections call for bike lanes on Arterials and Neighbourhood Collectors.

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Recommends that cyclists generally be accommodated on the carriageway; in areas with low traffic, no need for dedicated lanes.

standards for **public transit...**

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Provides fundamental considerations for bus stop placement.

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Notes those street types which will typically accommodate transit routes. Notes that busses will normally stop in the roadway, rather than in embayments. Provides recommended practices for the siting and design of bus stops.

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Notes that streets serving bus routes should be “reasonably straight,” and less than 6.0 m wide. Provides recommended practices for the siting and design of public transport stops.