



# National Complete Streets Coalition

## Complete Streets Policy Analysis Tool

| Element   | Points | Weighted Score |
|---|--------|----------------|
| <b>Intent</b>   | max: 5 | max: 6         |
| Does the policy use indirect language such as "shall implement Complete Streets principles" or direct the adoption of a policy at a later date? | 1      | 1.2            |
| OR Does the policy have a direct statement of intent, but includes equivocating or weaker language (e.g. consider, may)?                        | 3      | 3.6            |
| OR Does the policy have a strong, direct statement using language such as must, shall, or will?   | 5      | 6              |

**Total:**

| <b>All Users &amp; Modes</b>   | max: 5 | max: 20 |
|--|--------|---------|
| Includes: bicyclists and pedestrians (required for consideration)  | n/a    | n/a     |
| OR Includes: bicyclists, pedestrians, and transit users  | 1      | 4       |
| OR Includes: bicyclists, pedestrians, and transit users and one more: motorists<br>OR freight OR emergency | 2      | 8       |
| OR Includes: bicyclists, pedestrians, and transit users and two more: motorists<br>OR freight OR emergency | 3      | 12      |
| PLUS Policy mentions people of all ages  | 1      | 4       |
| PLUS Policy mentions people of all abilities   | 1      | 4       |

**Total:**

| <b>Projects</b>  | max: 5 | max: 12 |
|--|--------|---------|
| Covers new construction only   | 0      | 0       |
| OR Covers new and retrofit/reconstruction projects   | 3      | 7.2     |
| PLUS Clearly applies to all projects, or specifically including repair/3R projects, maintenance, and/or operations | 2      | 4.8     |

**Total:**

| <b>Exceptions</b>  | max: 5 | max: 16 |
|--|--------|---------|
| Does not include list of possible exceptions   | 0      | 0       |
| OR Lists exceptions, but at least one lacks clarity or allows loose interpretation (see document for definition) | 1      | 3.2     |
| OR Lists exceptions, none are inappropriate (see document for definition)  | 2      | 6.4     |
| PLUS Specifies an approval process for one or more of the exceptions   | 3      | 9.6     |

**Total:**

| <b>Connectivity</b>  | max: 5 | max: 2 |
|--|--------|--------|
| Does not mention need to create integrated, comprehensive networks | 0      | 0      |
| OR Acknowledges need to create integrated, comprehensive networks  | 5      | 2      |

**Total:**



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| <b>Jurisdiction</b>   | max: 5 | max: 8         |
| Applies to agency-owned roadways (assumed for all policies)                         | n/a    | n/a            |
| States & regions: policy applies to agency-funded roadways                          | 3      | 4.8            |
| Counties & cities: policy applies to privately-built roads                          | 3      | 4.8            |
| PLUS Recognizes need to work with other agencies, departments, and/or jurisdictions | 2      | 3.2            |

**Total:**

| Design  | Points | Weighted Score |
|---|--------|----------------|
| No mention of design criteria or the need for flexibility in balancing user needs (or policy is itself a design manual) | 0      | 0              |
| PLUS Specific design criteria are referenced  | 3      | 2.4            |
| PLUS Design flexibility in balancing needs of all users is referenced   | 2      | 1.6            |

**Total:**

| Context sensitivity  | Points | Weighted Score |
|--|--------|----------------|
| Not mentioned or discussed   | 0      | 0              |
| OR Acknowledges need to create streets appropriate to community and transportation context | 5      | 8              |

**Total:**

| Performance measures   | Points | Weighted Score |
|--|--------|----------------|
| No mention of performance measures, and they are not one of next steps                   | 0      | 0              |
| OR Establishes or directs use of new or specific measures (does not count in next steps) | 5      | 4              |

**Total:**

| Implementation plan  | Points | Weighted Score |
|--|--------|----------------|
| No implementation plan specified   | 0      | 0              |
| OR Addresses implementation in general   | 1      | 4              |
| OR Addresses two to four of our implementation steps   | 3      | 12             |
| PLUS Assigns oversight of implementation (person or advisory board) OR establishes reporting requirement | 1      | 4              |
| PLUS Plus directs changes to project selection criteria  | 1      | 4              |

**Total:**

**TOTAL SCORE:**