

**Ingress:** The entrance of vehicular traffic into a property from a highway.

**Interchange:** A grade-separated system of access to and from highways that includes directional ramps for access to and from crossroads.

**Intersection:** An at-grade crossing of two or more highways, a crossover, or any at-grade connection with a highway such as a commercial entrance.

**Intersection Sight Distance:** The sight distance required at an intersection to allow the driver of a stopped vehicle a sufficient view of the intersecting highway to decide when to enter, or cross, the intersecting highway.

**Legal Speed Limit:** The speed limit set forth on signs lawfully posted on a highway or in the absence of such signs the speed limit established by Title 46.2, Chapter 8, Article 8 of the Code of Virginia

**Limited Access Highway:** A highway especially designed for through traffic over which abutters have no easement or right of light, air, or access by reason of the fact that their property abuts upon the limited access highway.

**Local Streets/Roads:** The functional classification for highways that comprise all facilities that are not collectors or arterials. Local streets serve primarily to provide direct access to abutting land and to other streets.

**Median:** That portion of a divided highway that separates opposing traffic flows, not including center two-way left-turn lanes, can be traversable or non-traversable.

**Median, Non-traversable (Restrictive Median):** A physical barrier that separates traffic traveling in opposite directions, such as a concrete barrier or landscaped island.

**Median Opening, Directional:** An opening in a restrictive median that physically restricts movements to specific turns such as left turns and U turns.

**Median Opening (Full):** See "Crossover".

**Median, Traversable (Nonrestrictive Median):** A median that by its design does not physically discourage or prevent vehicles from entering upon or crossing over it, including painted medians.

**Merge:** The process by which two separate traffic streams moving in the same direction combine or unite to form a single stream.

**Minor Arterial:** The functional classification for highways that interconnect with and augment the principal arterial system. Minor arterials distribute traffic to smaller geographic areas providing service between and within communities.