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## Congratulations! You are now the recipient of turtle crossing sign(s). Installing Your Turtle Crossing Sign



Your turtle crossing sign is a standard warning sign of 60cm x 60cm with black type and a yellow background. This is the shape and colour of all Ontario road warning signs. The sign is made with retroreflective sheeting that makes it visible at night.

To have received this sign you have already:

- Identified a turtle road mortality hotspot
- Received approval from Chief & Council or designated/recognized signing authority where the sign will be installed and met the sign location and installation specifications.
- Demonstrated that you will be installing the sign on property adjacent to a road mortality hotspot.

Anti-theft "VandlGard" hardware has been supplied with your turtle crossing sign. If you have any questions regarding the assembly of this hardware please contact Turtle Island Conservation. Another common theft deterrent that you may consider is applying grease to the rear of the sign.

The text "CROSSING AREA" is used to define a general space where mortality has been recorded regularly or seasonally. The sign should be installed 500 feet, or 250 meters before the turtle crossing area, to provide advance notice to motorists.

Please send the location of the installed sign to the Turtle Island Conservation Programme along with a picture of yourself next to your installed sign for publication on our website.

## We recommend continued monitoring of the location. All observations can be sent to Ontario Turtle Tally at <a href="http://www.torontozoo.com/adoptapond/TurtleTally.asp">http://www.torontozoo.com/adoptapond/TurtleTally.asp</a>

All information is shared with the Ontario Multi-Species at Risk Recovery Team and the Natural Heritage information center.





