Give Way Strategy



The New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) has issued rules for the installation of Give Way signs.

They are:

- a. At all crossroads that do not have visibility constraints requiring STOP signs.
- b. At the intersections of an unusual layout or with an unusual traffic pattern, to clearly define the right of way.
- c. Where it maybe desirable to override the normal application of the right-hand rule.

Matamata-Piako District Council procedure in these cases is:

Traffic counts are taken over seven days on both roads of the intersection concerned. These counts will give the Average Daily Traffic (ADT). Multiply the two ADT's together and if this product is equal or over 2,500,000, then a Give Way will be considered.

If the ADT product is below 2,500,000 then the ratio is calculate of the two ADT's, and If this is above 1 in 40, then a Give Way sign will be considered.

In all cases, signs are subject to formal authorisation by the Matamata-Piako District Council to give them legal status.