

**GUIDANCE ON THE USE OF
R4-11, R4-11(1), W16-1(3),
AND *SHARE THE ROAD* ASSEMBLIES**

R4-11



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This sign may be used in the following circumstances:

- 🚲 At entry points onto the State highway system as information about Maryland law;
- 🚲 At the beginning of a section of roadway where the lane is 13 feet or less wide (i.e. where motorists are forced to cross a double yellow line in order to pass a bicyclist with the mandated 3 foot clearance);
- 🚲 At the beginning of a section of roadway where curbside parking or other encroachments narrow the width usable for travel to 13 feet or less;
- 🚲 Additional signs may be placed at intervals of about ½ mile through the length of a lane effectively 13 feet or less wide in urban areas;
- 🚲 At the point where an existing Bike Lane or other bicycle facility ends and bicyclists are forced to share a lane with motorized vehicles;
- 🚲 In advance of locations where a significant number of left turning bicycles are expected (i.e. along Bike Routes)

R4-11(1)



An R4-11(1) sign – a modified R4-11 with a yellow **NOTICE** plate - may be used as an alternate to R4-11 on major routes as they cross major jurisdictional boundaries such as the state line or the Baltimore or D.C. city limit.

W16-1(3)



Figure 3.5

A W16-1(3) should be installed at locations where lane width and/or other conditions create an extraordinary hazard for bicyclists sharing a lane with motorized vehicles on roadways where no specific bicycle facilities such as bicycle lanes, shared lanes, or adjacent shoulders, exist.

SHARE THE ROAD assembly (W11-1 over W16-1P)



Figure 3.3
SHARE THE ROAD assembly
W11-1 and W16-1

This sign assembly, currently in some use around the State, may be used where lane width is wider than that noted for the W16-1(3), shown above, where bicyclists may be forced into a motor vehicle lane due to a very narrow or nonexistent shoulder.