

Tau-XR Crash Cushion – Permanent & Temporary

	Issue Date: 4 September 2024	Proponent: Lindsay Transportation Services	
	Status: Recommended for acceptance	Accepted impact speed: 100 km/h	

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These conditions take precedence over instructions in the Product Manual, refer Austroads Technical Advice SBTA 22-001. Product manual current at time of TCU: P/N 1828819 Rev B (ECN 62347)

Design Requirements

Containment Level	TL3	
Accepted Impact Speed	100 km/h	
Point of Redirection – Leading (m)	- Entirely redirective	
Point of Redirection – Trailing (m)		
System Length (m)	7.18	
Anchor/Post Spacing (m)	Refer drawings	
System Width (m)	0.91	
System Conditions	 Installation on top of a kerb is not recommended, however if installed on top of a kerb all system components must be free to operate. 	

Approved Variants

Variant	Functional Purpose	Conditions	
Nil			
Variants that are not listed above are NOT recommended for acceptance. Alterations to or combinations of the variants listed above are not recommended unless noted			

Approved Connections

Safety Barriers		
Proprietary products	Refer to Safety Barrier Technical Conditions for Use for accepted connections.	
Transitions		
Public Domain W-Beam Guardrail	• Reverse impacts into the transition section can product a greater occupant severity value than preferred. Where reverse impacts are possible (e.g., bidirectional traffic), a risk	
Public Domain Thrie-Beam Guardrail	assessment must be completed and steps to mitigate the likelihood of reverse impact should be implemented.	
	Permitted with full length transition panel.	
Public Domain Permanent Concrete	• Reverse impacts into the transition section can product a greater occupant severity value than preferred. Where reverse impacts are possible (e.g., bidirectional traffic), a risk assessment must be completed and steps to mitigate the likelihood of reverse impact should be implemented.	
Connections that are not listed above are NOT recommended for acceptance.		

Foundation Pavement Conditions

Permanent Installations Only			
Pavement Type	Post/Pin Spacing (m)	Post/Pin Type	Pavement Construction
Concrete	Refer drawings	19mm x 146mm ASTM A307 threaded rod with epoxy	Concrete pavement or pad in accordance with manufacturer's drawings
Deep lift asphaltic concrete	Refer drawings	19mm x 146mm ASTM A307 threaded rod with epoxy	Concrete pavement or pad in accordance with manufacturer's drawings
Asphaltic concrete over granular	Refer drawings	19mm x 146mm ASTM A307 threaded rod with epoxy	Concrete pavement or pad in accordance with manufacturer's drawings
Flush seal over granular	Not permitted		
Unsealed compacted formation	Not permitted		
Installation in pavement conditions not perm	nitted above have not been ju	ustified to the Panel's satisfaction.	

Temporary Installations Only

Pavement Type	Post/Pin Spacing (m)	Post/Pin Type	Pavement Construction
Concrete	Refer drawings	19mm x 146mm ASTM A307 threaded rod with epoxy	Concrete pavement or pad in accordance with manufacturer's drawings
Deep lift asphaltic concrete	Refer drawings	19mm x 410mm ASTM A307 threaded rod with epoxy	Pinned to asphalt in accordance with the manufacturer's drawings
Asphaltic concrete over granular	Refer drawings	19mm x 410mm ASTM A307 threaded rod with epoxy	Pinned to asphalt in accordance with the manufacturer's drawings
Flush seal over granular	Not permitted		
Unsealed compacted formation	Not permitted		
Installation in pavement conditions not permitted above have not been justified to the Panel's satisfaction.			