

| Analyst <br> Agency or Company Date <br> Analysis Time Period Est. \% Turning Veh |  |  | Intersection/Lane Area Type Jurisdiction Analysis Year Est. \% Heavy Veh |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cycle 11 | Time | Number | Cycle 21 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 |
| Cycle 12 | Time | Number | Cycle 22 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 |
| Cycle 13 | Time | Number | Cycle 23 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 4th Veh } \\ & \text { Last Stopped Veh } \\ & \text { End of Green } \end{aligned}$ |  | 4 |
| Cycle 14 | Time | Number | Cycle 24 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 |
| Cycle 15 | Time | Number | Cycle 25 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 |
| Cycle 16 | Time | Number | Cycle 26 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 |
| Cycle 17 | Time | Number | Cycle 27 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 4th Veh } \\ & \text { Last Stopped Veh } \\ & \text { End of Green } \end{aligned}$ |  | 4 |
| Cycle 18 | Time | Number | Cycle 28 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 |
| Cycle 19 | Time | Number | Cycle 29 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 |
| Cycle 20 | Time | Number | Cycle 30 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 |


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| Cycle 31 | Time | Number | Cycle 41 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 |
| Cycle 32 | Time | Number | Cycle 42 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 |
| Cycle 33 | Time | Number | Cycle 43 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 4th Veh } \\ & \text { Last Stopped Veh } \\ & \text { End of Green } \end{aligned}$ |  | 4 |
| Cycle 34 | Time | Number | Cycle 44 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 |
| Cycle 35 | Time | Number | Cycle 45 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 |
| Cycle 36 | Time | Number | Cycle 46 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 |
| Cycle 37 | Time | Number | Cycle 47 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 4th Veh } \\ & \text { Last Stopped Veh } \\ & \text { End of Green } \end{aligned}$ |  | 4 |
| Cycle 38 | Time | Number | Cycle 48 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 |
| Cycle 39 | Time | Number | Cycle 49 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 |
| Cycle 40 | Time | Number | Cycle 50 | Time | Number |
| 4th Veh <br> Last Stopped Veh <br> End of Green |  | 4 | 4th Veh Last Stopped Veh End of Green |  | 4 |

This form is based on the HCM 2010 field saturation flow form found in HCM Volume 4 for Signalized Intersections Supplemental (Chp 31) or HCM 2000 Chapter 16 Appendix H. This form has been simplified to work for a single person.

The collection can be ideally done with a stopwatch or a wristwatch with a sweep second hand or a digital seconds readout.

Only the times of the 4th vehicle that crosses the stopbar, the last stopped vehicle in the queue, and the end of green (in case the signal is in oversaturated conditions and the last stopped vehicle is never reached) is needed. The number (vehicle position in the queue) of the last stopped vehicle is also needed.

Vehicles should not be counted until they cross the stopbar. If a left or right turn lane is being studied, only count the vehicles when they clear the intersection if they are delayed waiting for opposing traffic or pedestrians.

If vehicles are delayed because of buses, emergency vehicles, stalled vehicles, downstream intersection queues or other disruptions, then the cycle should be discarded by crossing the cycle out on the form.

As long as there are 8 or more vehicles total in the stopped queue, a cycle can be used to calculate saturation flow. A minimum of 15 cycles with 8 or more vehicles are needed for a valid saturation flow measurement.

After gathering the information in the field, enter the appropriate data into the Saturation Flow Rate calculator to calculate the Saturation Headway.

Saturation Headway Calculation $=$
(Time of last stopped vehicle - Time of 4th vehicle) / (Vehicle position of last vehicle - 4)

Saturation Flow =
3600 s/hr / saturation headway

For example, if the time of the 4th vehicle was 0:00 (stopwatch start) and the last stopped vehicle was 20.5 seconds and there were 12 vehicles in the queue, the resulting saturation flow would be :

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Headway =
    (20.5s-0 s)/ (12-4 ) = 2.56 s /veh
Saturation Flow = 3600 s/hr / 2.56 s/veh = 1406 vphpl
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