

ADEA Traffic Rules Policy Statement

The Traffic Rules are actually ADEA policy statements that have been approved by the ADEA House of Delegates and represent the guidelines under which the dental schools have agreed to operate. The full wording can be found in the ADEA Policy Statements, published in the July 2006 *Journal of Dental Education*, pp. 745-747. (All ADEA members may access the online JDE through the ADEA Member Portal.)

Here is a condensed synopsis of the Policy Statements related to extending offers of admission to pre-doctoral programs:

- Notify applicants, either orally or in writing, no earlier than December 1 of the academic year prior to the academic year of matriculation (i.e., December 1, 2006 for the 2007 entering class)
- Allow a response period to offers of admission as follows:
 - 45 days for candidates admitted between December 1 and December 31
 - 30 days for candidates admitted between January 1 and January 31
 - 15 days for candidates admitted after February 1
 - Response period may be lifted after July 15, or two weeks before the beginning of the academic year, whichever comes first
- AADSAS participating schools report to AADSAS by May 1 the names and AADSAS ID numbers of candidates holding positions; after May 5, AADSAS reports to each dental school the names of their candidates who are holding more than one position at dental schools; schools may rescind offers of admission to such candidates after allowing 15-day response period.