

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 Sections 64 and 65

Authorisation of traffic signs and special directions

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Secretary of State for Transport's traffic authorisation of signs/markings for the purpose of warning road users of road works and lane closures on the A3 All-purpose trunk road by persons acting on behalf of Highways England.

The following pages contain a copy of the text from the Secretary of State for Transport's traffic authorisation regarding the above sign/marking.

A scanned copy of the signed authorisation and supporting signs/markings from the application are appended to this letter. The supporting material is submitted to the Department for Transport by a third party. You should refer to the party involved for accessible copies of the supporting material.



ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTIONS 64 AND 65 AUTHORISATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNS AND SPECIAL DIRECTIONS

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of his powers under Sections 64 and 65 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and all other powers enabling him in that behalf for the purpose of warning road users of road works and lane closures on the A3 all-purpose trunk road by persons acting on behalf of Highways England, hereby:

- authorises the placing and use of the sign system (hereinafter referred to as "the authorised sign") conforming as to size, colour and character with that shown on the attached drawing numbered GT50/198/0084-1; and
- 2. directs that the authorised sign may be displayed to indicate the closure of a traffic lane during road works undertaken in compliance with the guidance and requirements identified for such works in the Traffic Signs Manual (TSM) Chapter 8 or an equivalent, risk assessed, site specific temporary traffic management design and safe method of working derived from Chapter 8; and
- 3. directs that the authorised sign may be displayed to indicate the closure of a traffic lane for the purposes of enhanced emergency traffic management; and
- 4. directs that when displayed to indicate a lane closure, sufficient signs shall be displayed to replicate a cone taper layout identified in any Part of the TSM Chapter 8 as being suitable for the road the authorised sign is placed on, the prevailing traffic and weather conditions; and
- directs that the width of the authorised sign shall be varied as required to replicate the equivalent position of the cone taper in the closed lane along the length of the taper; and
- 6. directs that, when works are not being undertaken and no lane closures are in place, the authorised sign may be retained in position but shall be aligned parallel to the direction of travel of traffic; and





- 7. directs that the authorised sign shall only be displayed when the sign unit is mounted horizontally; and
- 8. directs that the authorised sign shall only be deployed to be displayed to oncoming traffic by personnel trained to do so in accordance with the relevant part of the National Highways Sector Schemes 12 and 22, and that the authorised sign shall not be changed unless directed so by the Traffic Safety and Control Officer (or other person identified by the Contactor undertaking work as being responsible for the signing and guarding of the works). The operation of the authorised sign shall be in accordance with any equipment specific operational or maintenance requirements specified by the manufacturer; and
- 9. directs that the authorised sign shall only be placed on the road if the apparatus (including the content of all instructions stored in or executed by it) used in connection with them is of a type which has been approved by the Secretary of State, Traffic Open Products & Specifications Limited or an equivalent, competent body; and
- 10. directs that the dimension lines on the said drawing do not form part of the authorised sign; and
- 11. directs that the authorised sign has the same meaning to traffic as Diagram 7105 in Schedule 13, Part 6, Item 8 of the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 (Part 1 of S.I. 2016 No 362, "the 2016 Regulations"); and
- 12. directs that the warning lamp conforming to Schedule 13, Part 11 of the 2016
 Regulations shown on the said drawing shall comply to the requirements of Device
 Type WL5 or WL6 from Table NA.2 in the National Annex of BS EN 12352 save that
 instead of complying with class L4 in BS EN 12352 the lamps may comply with Class
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- 14. directs that the warning lamps on the authorised sign used to replicate the cone taper layout shall flash in sequence for the duration of the works. When the authorised sign is aligned parallel to direction of traffic the warning lamp shall not display a light; and
- 15. directs, without prejudice to any statutory provisions to the like effect, that it is a condition of this authorisation that the placing of the authorised sign on the said road shall continue to have effect only until such day as may be appointed by one month's notice given by the Secretary of State, and on that day the said authorisation shall, without prejudice to the giving of any further authorisation or direction, cease to have effect.

The provisions of Regulations 7, 8 and 11 of the 2016 Regulations shall apply to the authorised sign in the same manner as they apply to the sign shown in diagram 7105 in Schedule 13, Part 6, Item 8 to those Regulations.

The provisions of Direction 4 and 8 in Schedule 13, Part 12 of the 2016 Regulations shall apply to the authorised sign in the same manner as they apply to the sign shown in diagram 7105 in Schedule 13, Part 6, Item 8 to those Regulations.

Dated 10 June 2021

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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A Delegated Official of the Department for Transport



SCANNED AUTHORISATION AND MAPS / DRAWINGS FOLLOW



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