QUICK START GUIDE

THIS GUIDE RELATES TO THE FOLLOWING STYLESHEETS:

PRODUCT: OS OPEN ROADS

DATA FORMAT: ESRI SHAPEFILE (SHP)
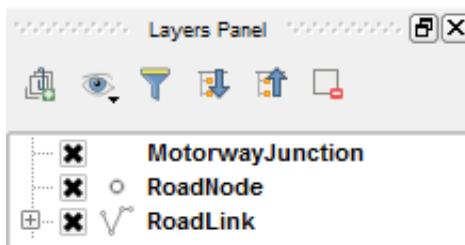
STYLESHEET FORMAT: QGIS STYLESHEETS (QML)

The stylesheets are designed to work with ESRI Shapefile data as supplied.

1   Either fork the stylesheets on GitHub or download them and navigate to the directory that matches your data format, stylesheet format and style preference.

2   Open a new, blank map in QGIS.

3   Click on the 'Add Vector Layer' button and navigate to the stylesheets folder and the directory that matches your data format, stylesheet format and style preference.

4   Select each of the required layers and click 'OK'.

5   Double-click on a layer to access the 'Layer Properties' window > click on 'Load Style…' > navigate to the directory containing the QML files (those ending .qml) > select the relevantly named QML file > click 'Open' > click 'OK'.
Note: Choose RoadLink-1.qml file to style by road classification or select the RoadLink-2.qml file to style by a combination of road function and form of way.

Repeat step 5 for all layers.

We recommend the following layer order and visibility:

We recommend viewing the Open Roads data between 1:250 and 1:100 000 for maximum legibility.

Your data should now look similar to this:

Compatibility notes

We strive to keep our QML files compatible with the latest long-term release of QGIS.

Additional information

More information about how to download, apply and edit our stylesheets including a Stylesheet user guide

More information about OS Open Roads

More information about cartographic design at Ordnance Survey

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