

# Construction tags removal algorithm

## References

Highway Tag: <https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Key:highway>  
Construction Tag: <https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Key:construction>  
Check\_date Tag: [https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Key:check\\_date](https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Key:check_date)  
Opening\_date Tag: [https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Key:opening\\_date](https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Key:opening_date)  
Note Tag: <https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Key:note>

## Overview

Construction tag is used to designate roads under construction, or for roads that are closed for long-term reconstruction. At the end of construction work, the tag should be removed. The presence of a construction tag on the road segment may not correspond to reality if the road is already open to traffic.

## Key terms

**Construction road** - the road is closed for repairs

**Official resources** - resources that describe the construction status of the road segment

## Tagging

### Way

Key	Value	Description
highway	*	Main road tag
construction	*	Main construction tag
opening_date	*	An approximated date in the future when construction will be finished
check_date	*	The tag is intended to document the last date when an object as a whole or specific tag of the object was checked and verified
note	*	A note is used to inform other mappers about non-obvious information about an element


## Usage





Used in a well-defined combination of **highway=construction** + **construction=value**. The value of the **construction=\*** key should be one of those defined below and indicates the type of feature being built. To fix the issue, the value of the **construction** tag should be applied to the **highway** tag and the **construction** tag should be removed.

### List of construction tag possible values

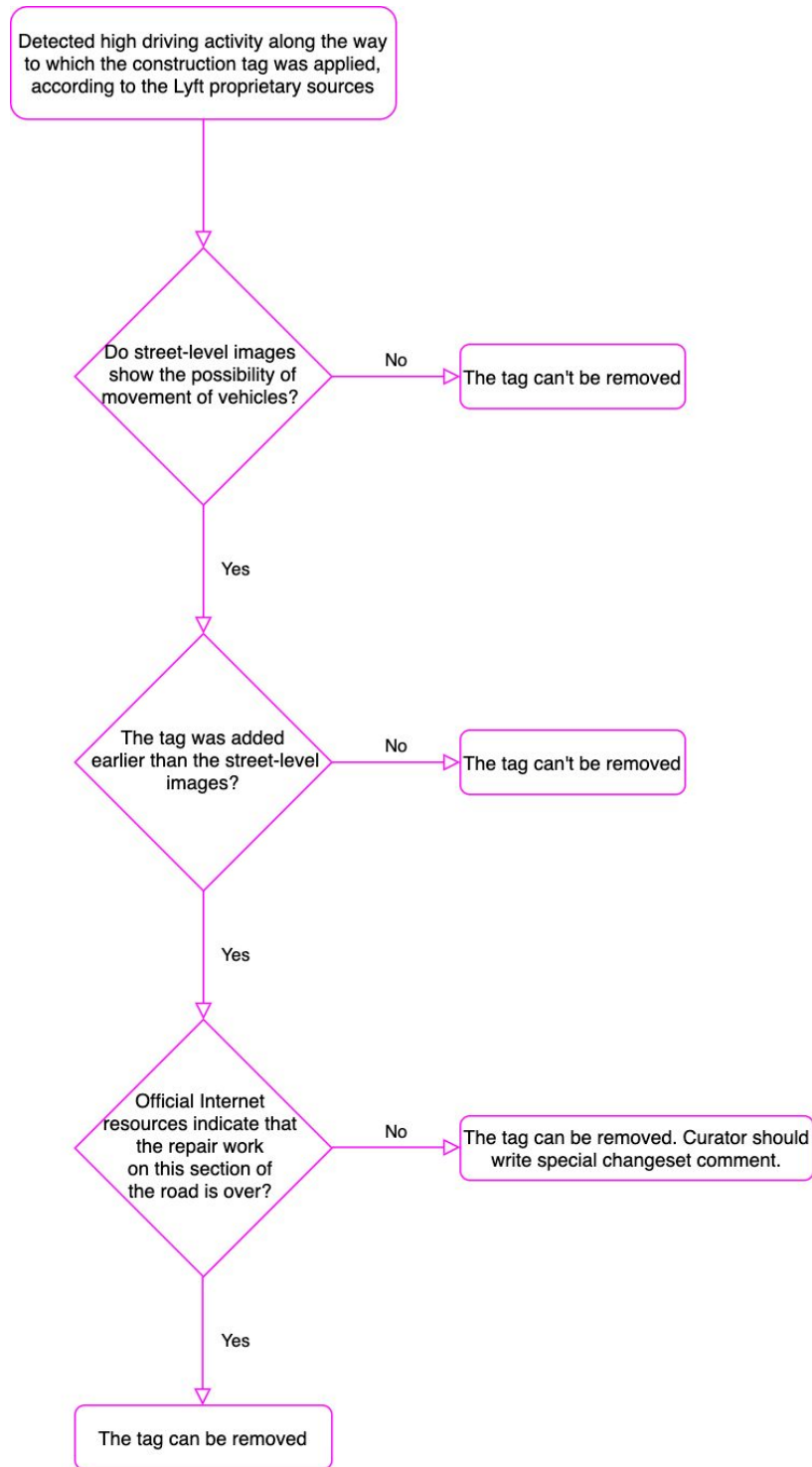
Value	Element	Comment	OSM rendering
motorway	Way	Motorway under construction	
motorway_link	Way	Motorway sliproad under construction	
trunk	Way	Important non-motorway road under construction	

trunk_link	Way	Sliproad to an important non-motorway road under construction	 A diagram showing a horizontal road section. The road surface is light beige. A horizontal line of alternating red and white squares runs across the center of the road, representing a construction barrier or a specific road marking.
primary	Way	Primary road under construction	 A diagram showing a horizontal road section. The road surface is light beige. A horizontal line of alternating orange and white squares runs across the center of the road, representing a construction barrier or a specific road marking.
primary_link	Way	Sliproad to a primary road under construction	 A diagram showing a horizontal road section. The road surface is light beige. A horizontal line of alternating orange and white squares runs across the center of the road, representing a construction barrier or a specific road marking.
secondary	Way	Secondary road under construction	 A diagram showing a horizontal road section. The road surface is light beige. A horizontal line of alternating yellow and white squares runs across the center of the road, representing a construction barrier or a specific road marking.
secondary_link	Way	Secondary road link under construction	 A diagram showing a horizontal road section. The road surface is light beige. A horizontal line of alternating yellow and white squares runs across the center of the road, representing a construction barrier or a specific road marking.

tertiary	Way	Tertiary road under construction	
tertiary_link	Way	Tertiary road link under construction	
unclassified	Way	Unclassified road under construction (alternatively tag <b>construction=minor</b> )	
residential	Way	Residential road under construction	
living_street	Way	Living street under construction	

pedestrian	Way	Pedestrianised road under construction	
service	Way	Service road under construction	
track	Way	Agricultural or forest road under construction	
cycleway	Way	Cycleway under construction	

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# The scenario for removing tags

1. Detected high driving activity through the construction road.

2. At least 1 tag describing construction applied to road segment


Tags (10)

bicycle	no		i
construction	motorway_link		i
destination	Tampa		i
destination:ref	I 4 West		i
foot	no		i
highway	motorway_link		i
horse	no		i
junction	parclo		i
oneway	yes		i
sidewalk	none		i



3. Street-level images show the possibility of vehicle movement

4. Construction tag or tags added to a section of road before street-level images were uploaded to OSM



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Tags

bicycle	no
foot	no
highway	construction
horse	no
junction	parclo
oneway	yes
sidewalk	none

5. Tags already can be removed but it is quite important to find official confirmation that the construction is completed. Official sources include Municipal Government Websites and Websites of

construction companies. The link to the website should be added to the changeset comment. If official confirmation cannot be found, a comment to changeset should include a request to the OSM community to contact Lyft if additional information about the road segment is available.

## The scenario for saving tags

1. An official source has been found that describes the continuation of construction work on the road section.
2. Add the verification date to the value of the **check\_date** tag in the format: YYYY-MM-DD
3. Write a changeset comment with a link to the official source that describes the continuation of construction work on the road segment.