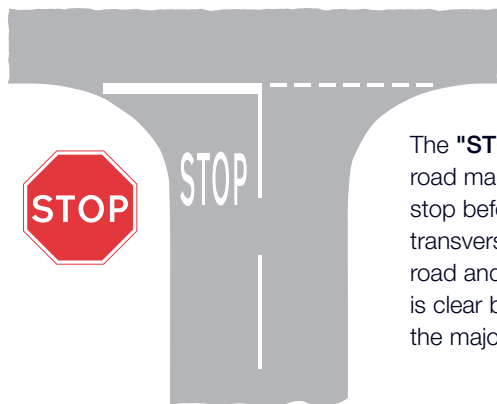


Regulatory signs

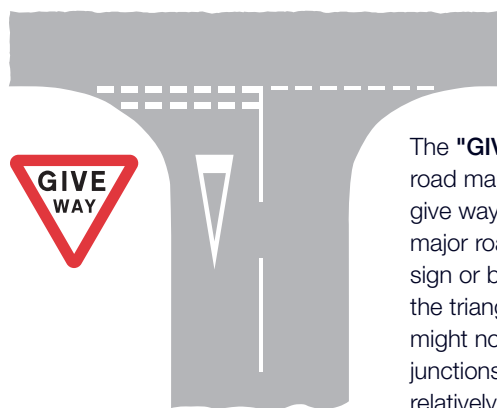
(other than those for low bridges, railway and tramway level crossings, bus and pedal cycle facilities and road works)

Most regulatory signs are circular. A **RED RING** or **RED CIRCLE** indicates a prohibition. A **BLUE CIRCLE** generally gives a positive (mandatory) instruction or indicates a route for use only by particular classes of vehicle (see sections on tram signs and bus and cycle signs).

Two notable exceptions are:



The "**STOP**" sign and road markings: you **must** stop before crossing the transverse line on the road and ensure the way is clear before entering the major road.



The "**GIVE WAY**" sign and road markings: you **must** give way to traffic on the major road (the upright sign or both the sign and the triangle on the road might not be used at junctions where there is relatively little traffic).



No entry for vehicular traffic, including pedal cycles (usually indicates the end of a one-way road where all traffic is travelling in the other direction)



No vehicles

No vehicles except pedal cycles being pushed by hand



**No vehicles
10 am - 4 pm
except for
access**

Alternative plates used with the "no vehicles" sign, indicating times when vehicles are prohibited, except for access



**Play Street
8 am to sunset
except for
access**



No motor vehicles



No motor vehicles except solo motorcycles



No solo motorcycles



No towed caravans



No pedestrians



No ridden or accompanied horses



No horse-drawn vehicles



No articulated vehicles



No goods vehicles over maximum gross weight shown in tonnes



End of goods vehicles restriction



No vehicles or combinations of vehicles over maximum length shown



No explosives

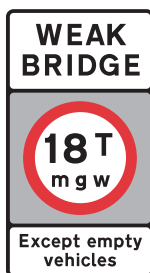
No vehicles carrying explosives



No vehicles over maximum width shown (width shown in metric and imperial units)



No vehicles over maximum width shown (width shown in imperial units)



No vehicles over the maximum gross weight shown in tonnes. The bottom plate is used where empty vehicles are exempt

Plates used to indicate exemptions from prohibition signs



Except for access to premises or land adjacent to the road, where there is no other route. Other exemptions may be shown



Except for loading and unloading by goods vehicles



No overtaking



Give way to oncoming vehicles

Where a road or bridge is very narrow, priority must be given to traffic from the other direction (there will usually be a "give way" line indicating where to wait)

Where changes of direction are prohibited, a red bar across the sign is used in addition to the red circle



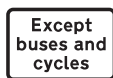
No U-turn



No right turn



No left turn



Exemption plate



Vehicles must not go beyond the sign where displayed by a school crossing patrol



Vehicles must not go beyond the sign where displayed by a police officer or traffic warden



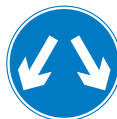
Specified traffic must not use verge maintained in mown or ornamental condition



Proceed in direction indicated by the arrow



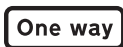
Turn left ahead (right if symbol is reversed)



Vehicles may pass either side to reach the same destination



Keep left (right if symbol reversed)



Plates supplementing "turn" signs



Mini-roundabout (give way to traffic from the immediate right)



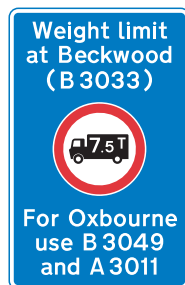
One-way traffic



Nature of and distance to a prohibition, restriction or requirement



Weight restriction ahead (may show a different restriction)



Location of weight restriction ahead with indication of an alternative route (may show a different restriction)

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