

Warning signs

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



**STOP
100 yds**

Distance to
STOP line



**GIVE WAY
50 yds**

Distance to
GIVE WAY line



Traffic signals
ahead



**Part time
signals**

Traffic signals
that operate
only at certain
times



Crossroads



T-junction



Side road



Staggered
junction

The priority through the junction is indicated by the broader line



Traffic merges
from the left



Traffic merges
onto main
carriageway



Roundabout



Bend to right
(left if symbol
reversed)



Double bend
first to the left
(right if symbol
reversed)



Junction on a bend
(symbols may be reversed)



**Adverse
camber**

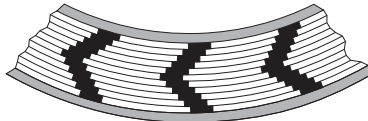
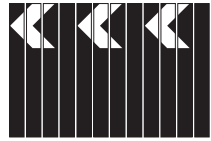
Plate used with
"roundabout"
or "bend" signs



Risk of lorries overturning on bend to the left (right if symbol reversed)



Sharp deviation of route to the left (right if chevrons reversed) (alternative designs)



Block paving incorporated into a roundabout to indicate sharp deviation of route



Plate used with warning signs where a reduction in speed is necessary



Road narrows on both sides



Road narrows on right (left if symbol reversed)

Plates used with "road narrows" signs



Single file traffic in each direction



Road wide enough for only one line of vehicles



End of dual carriageway



Two-way traffic



Two-way traffic on route crossing ahead



Near-side edge of carriageway or obstruction near that edge (alternative shapes). White markers are used on the off-side edge and amber ones on the off-side edge of a dual carriageway



Worded warning. "Ford" may be varied to "Flood", "Gate", "Gates" or "No smoking"



Try brakes after crossing a ford or before descending a steep hill



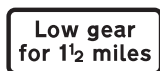
Steep hill downwards (10% is equivalent to 1:10)



Steep hill upwards (20% is equivalent to 1:5)



Sign used with "steep hill" or "try your brakes" signs



Plates used with "steep hill" signs



Opening or swing bridge



Quayside or river bank



End of bridge parapet, abutment wall, tunnel mouth etc.



Water course alongside road



Soft verges for 2 miles

Soft verges for distance shown



Tunnel



Hump bridge



Uneven road



Slippery road



Side winds



Distance to hazard



Distance and direction to hazard



Distance over which hazard extends



Low-flying aircraft or sudden aircraft noise



Gliders
Gliders likely



Low-flying helicopters or sudden helicopter noise



Risk of falling or fallen rocks



Queues likely
Traffic queues likely ahead



Slow-moving military vehicles likely to be in or crossing the road



Slow lorries for 2 miles
Slow-moving vehicles for distance shown



Ice
Risk of ice. "Ice" may be varied to "Snowdrifts"



Warning of signals (see page 120). "FIRE" may be varied to "AMBULANCE"



Other danger. The plate indicates the nature of the hazard



Zebra crossing



No footway for 400 yds
Pedestrians in road for distance shown



Frail pedestrians likely to cross



Disabled people
Disabled pedestrians. "Disabled" may be varied to "Blind"



School

Children going to or from school

Playground

Patrol

Disabled children

Alternative plates used with "school" sign



Lights warning of children likely to be crossing the road on their way to or from school (used with "school" sign)



Pedestrians crossing 200 yards

Pedestrians likely to be crossing a high-speed road where there is no formal crossing point



Horse-drawn vehicles likely to be in the road



Accompanied horses or ponies likely to be in or crossing the road



Wild horses or ponies



Wild animals



Wild fowl



Migratory toad crossing



Sheep

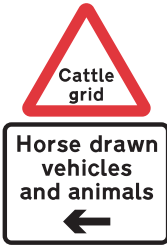


Farm traffic

Agricultural vehicles

**ANIMAL DISEASE
RABIES
INFECTED AREA
AHEAD**

Area infected by animal disease



Cattle grid with indication of bypass for horse-drawn vehicles and animals



Cattle



Supervised cattle crossing ahead



Supervised cattle crossing

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