Direction signs for cyclists and pedestrians

Direction signs specifically for cyclists have a blue background and include a white pedal cycle symbol. Most are free-standing signs, but some primary and non-primary route direction signs may incorporate a blue panel indicating a route for cyclists that is different from that for other traffic. The cycle symbol may also be used on pedestrian signs where cyclists and pedestrians share the route (see page 113).



Primary route direction sign, in advance of a junction, indicating a route for cyclists



Non-primary route direction sign, in advance of a junction, indicating a route for cyclists

Where the route indicated forms part of the National Cycle Network, the number of that route is shown on the signs in white numerals on a red patch. Links within the network may be designated as Regional Cycle Routes: signs indicating these have white route numbers on blue patches. Some local authorities may have their own numbered cycle routes using different coloured patches. Where a cycle route leads to a national or regional route, the number of the route to which it leads may be shown in brackets. Signs may also include the name of the route.



Number of a national cycle route



Number of a regional cycle route



Sign showing the direction and distances (in miles) to destinations along a named cycle route forming part of the National Cycle Network

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Sign indicating two different cycle routes leading from a junction ahead



Direction of a national cycle route



This sign informs you that you are following a national cycle route with the number shown













Pedestrian and cycle route to a railway station



Map-type signs may indicate the route through a junction. In this example, the sign shows the route across an entry slip road. A sign may be used to direct cyclists to a signal-controlled crossing





Signs indicating the direction to a parking place for pedal cycles

Direction signs for pedestrians generally have a blue background with white lettering and include the walking figure symbol. In town centres, especially pedestrianised areas, other colours may be used and the symbol may be omitted; these signs may also use different styles of lettering. Pedestrian routes to tourist attractions may have brown backgrounds and those for public footpaths green backgrounds. Signs may include distances in yards or miles.



A public footpath may be indicated by a yellow waymarker. A blue arrow is used for public bridleways. The background may be of a different colour

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