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Specification for the Reinstatement of Openings in the Highways (The Code)

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No abre el plazo - Nezahajuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekmē atlikšanu - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késések - Ma' jiftaħ il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist.

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1. Structured Information Line

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2. Member State

United Kingdom

3. Department Responsible

Department of Trade and Industry: Standards and Technical Regulations Directorate

3. Originating Department

Transport Wales, Economic Development and Transport Department, Welsh Assembly Government.

4. Notification Number

2006/0138/UK - B00



5. Title

Specification for the Reinstatement of Openings in the Highways (The Code)

6. Products Concerned

The products are the materials specified for use in reinstating the street following street works carried out by public utilities and others.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The Specification is the second edition of a code of practice with the same title published in 1992, which entered into force on 1st January 1993. It gives practical guidance about the standards of reinstatement required to comply with duties laid upon undertakers of street works in respect of materials, workmanship, and performance standards. It makes provision for works in carriageways, footways and verges, identifies different types of acceptable materials and contains acceptable requirements for compaction and remedial works.

The Welsh Assembly Government will fulfil its obligation under Article 12 of directive 98/34/EC in respect of Wales when this Specification is officially published.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The Specification takes into account developments since the publication of the 1992 Code (see above). In particular it includes new British Standards (BS) (in support of European (EN) standards) for asphalt materials covering composition and binder contents, new requirements for areas of block paving (modular surfaces), new procedures for chalk materials, a new section on the use of sustainable alternative reinstatement materials (ARMs), changes in road categories to add a new category for very heavily trafficked roads, a new section on specialist surfacing materials, a new performance specification for compacting materials, inclusion of greater flexibility for permissible layer thicknesses and laying temperatures for asphalt materials, and a new section on traffic signs and road markings.

It is intended that the Code should be published as soon as possible after the end of the standstill period. The intention is that it will enter into force in Wales only.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- a) The Street Works (Reinstatement) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2006.
- c) The notification number of the earlier (1992) Code notification (8 above refers) is 91/0084/UK.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality



No

14. Fiscal measures

No

15. Impact assessment

The impact assessment is attached.

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT Aspect

No

The draft does not have a significant effect on international trade.

SPS Aspect

No

The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure in the sense of Annex A of the SPS Agreement.

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