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## **“Safety at Street Works and Road Works – a Code of Practice” (“the Code”)**

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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

Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions  
Traffic Management and Tolls Division

#### 4. Notification Number



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## 5. Title

"Safety at Street Works and Road Works – a Code of Practice" ("the Code")

## 6. Products Concerned

The products are traffic signs (as defined in the United Kingdom's Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 1994 (S.I.1994/1519), and high visibility clothing (to EN471:1994).

## 7. Notification Under Another Act

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## 8. Main Content

The Code, which is the second edition of a code with the same title published in 1992 which entered into force on 1st April 1993, regulates the signing, lighting and guarding of street works carried out by public utilities and others placing or repairing apparatus in or over the road. It sets out basic principles, and illustrates typical lay-outs in the light of different categories of traffic management (ranging from "Give and Take" to the use of portable traffic signals) and different situations (including single- and most dual-carriageway working and work in footways). There are special sections dealing with work near tramways and near railway level crossings.

The UK will fulfil its obligation under Article 12 of Directive 98/34/EC when this Code is officially published.

## 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The Code takes into accounts developments since the publication of the 1992 Code (see 8 above). In particular, it includes new or expanded provisions to cover risk assessment, maintenance of the site when no work is in progress, cycle lanes and cycle tracks, speed control, works at roundabouts, works near railway level crossings, and works adjacent to tramways; simplifying and clarifying the text where it had been ambiguous or unclear; and up-to-date traffic signs.

It is intended that the Code should be published as soon as possible after the beginning of April 2001.

## 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

Subject of notification: "Safety at Street Works and Road Works – a Code of Practice"

Basic documents:

The New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (c.22), extracts -  
Part III (Street Works in England and Wales) - section 65, and  
Part IV (Road Works in Scotland) - section 124;  
The Street Works (Northern Ireland) Order 1995

The number of the earlier (1992) Code (8 above refers), made under former Directive 83/189/EEC, is Notification 92/0155/UK

## 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No.



**12. Grounds for the Emergency**

No.

**13. Confidentiality**

No.

**14. Fiscal measures**

No.

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