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

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Message

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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 for Transport, Local Government and the Regions
Traffic Management Division

4. Notification Number



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5. Title

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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 requirements for compaction and remedial works. The 1992 edition of the Code was in force in England, Wales and Scotland, and, initially at least, will remain in force in Wales and Scotland, pending decisions about the adoption of a revised Code by the devolved administrations.

The UK will fulfil its obligation under Article 12 of Directive 98/34/EC in respect of England 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 beginning of June 2002. The intention is that it will at first enter into force in England only.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

"Specification for the Reinstatement of Openings in Highways"

The New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (c.22), extract - Part III (Street Works in England and Wales) - sections 70 and 71

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

No.

13. Confidentiality

No.

14. Fiscal measures

No.

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