

Signs giving orders

Signs with red circles are mostly prohibitive.

Plates below signs qualify their message.



Entry to
20 mph zone



End of
20 mph zone



Maximum
speed



National speed
limit applies



School crossing
patrol



Stop and
give way



Give way to
traffic on
major road



Manually operated temporary
STOP and GO signs



No entry for
vehicular traffic



No vehicles
except bicycles
being pushed



No cycling



No motor
vehicles



No buses
(over 8
passenger
seats)



No
overtaking



No
towed
caravans



No vehicles
carrying
explosives



No vehicle or
combination of
vehicles over
length shown



No vehicles
over
height shown



No vehicles
over
width shown



Give priority to
vehicles from
opposite
direction



No right turn



No left turn



No
U-turns



No goods vehicles
over maximum
gross weight
shown (in tonnes)
except for loading
and unloading

Note: Although *The Highway Code* shows many of the signs commonly in use, a comprehensive explanation of our signing system is given in the Department's booklet *Know Your Traffic Signs*, which is on sale at booksellers. The booklet also illustrates and explains the vast majority of signs the road user is likely to encounter. The signs illustrated in *The Highway Code* are not all drawn to the same scale. In Wales, bilingual versions of some signs are used including Welsh and English versions of place names. Some older designs of signs may still be seen on the roads.



No vehicles over maximum gross weight shown (in tonnes)



Parking restricted to permit holders



No stopping during period indicated except for buses



No stopping during times shown except for as long as necessary to set down or pick up passengers



No waiting



No stopping (Clearway)

Signs with blue circles but no red border mostly give positive instruction.



Ahead only



Turn left ahead (right if symbol reversed)



Turn left (right if symbol reversed)



Keep left (right if symbol reversed)



Vehicles may pass either side to reach same destination



Mini-roundabout (roundabout circulation - give way to vehicles from the immediate right)



Route to be used by pedal cycles only



Segregated pedal cycle and pedestrian route



Minimum speed



End of minimum speed



Buses and cycles only



Trams only



Pedestrian crossing point over tramway



One-way traffic (note: compare circular 'Ahead only' sign)



With-flow bus and cycle lane



Contra-flow bus lane



With-flow pedal cycle lane