

## Director of Engineering Memorandum DEM 188/21

Title	'School Keep Clear' at Part-time 20mph Speed Limit Sites
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Purpose	This Memorandum provides supplementary guidance to RSPPG E070 Road Safety at Schools and RSPPG 063 Measures to Regulate Traffic
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## **Scope**

This Memorandum applies to DfI Roads staff involved with the provision of part-time 20mph speed limits at schools.

## **Policy/Guidance**

This Memorandum confirms that, from the date of its issue, at all future sites where part-time 20mph speed limits are to be introduced enforceable 'School Keep Clear' markings are to be legislated for where the marking is currently provided, and provision considered if the markings are not already provided.

The Police Service of Northern Ireland has confirmed that it will enforce these prohibitions along with the part-time speed limit.

The worded road markings and yellow zig-zag lines accompanied by the appropriate signing, must be legislated for by making a Traffic Regulation Order, as detailed in RSPPG E070.

The markings must be accompanied with an upright sign, Diag. 642.2. The individual school should be asked to confirm when the 'School Keep Clear' will apply. The upright sign, as well as indicating that a prohibition applies, will also indicate the duration of the restriction and when they apply.

Standard times across all schools are preferable and the following times are suggested as a guide:

- 8:15 to 9:30 and 2:30 to 4pm; or,
- 8:15 to 4pm, if there is an all-day issue.

Further detail on the general provision of 'School Keep Clear' markings can be found in RSSPG E063 Measures to Regulate Traffic, and Chapter 3 of the Traffic Signs Manual section 13.28.

As resources permit, Divisions should formalise the advisory 'School Keep Clear' markings at the schools treated in the first tranche of 103 part-time 20mph speed limits.

Requests for 'School Keep Clear' markings at schools where part-time 20mph speed limits are not provided should continue to be assessed in the normal way as detailed in RSPPG E063.

## References

RSPPG E070 Road Safety at Schools [Road Safety at Schools RSPPG E070v3 \(infrastructure-ni.gov.uk\)](#)

RSSPG E063 Measures to Regulate Traffic [RSPPG E063 Measures to Regulate Traffic \(infrastructure-ni.gov.uk\)](#)

Traffic Signs Manual, Chapter 3 'Regulatory Signs' 2019, Department for Transport [Traffic Signs Manual – Chapter 3 - Regulatory Signs \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](#)

## Equality

This guidance supplements RSPPG E070 Road Safety at Schools which underwent EQIA screening when version 3 issued in September 2020. It was considered that a full Equality Impact Assessment was not required. Further screening is not considered necessary at this time, although a scheme specific equality impact assessment may be required.

## Rural Needs

This guidance supplements RSPPG E070 Road Safety at Schools which underwent Rural Needs Impact screening when version 3 issued in September 2020. It was considered that a full Rural Needs Assessment was not required. Further screening is not considered necessary at this time, although a scheme specific rural needs impact assessment may be required.

## Privacy

No personal information will be gathered as a result of the application of this memorandum so a Privacy Impact Assessment is not required.

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