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HIGHWAYS, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Builders' Skips (Markings) Regulations 1984

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The Secretary of State for Transport, as regards England, and the Secretary of State for Wales, as regards Wales, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 139(4) of the Highways Act 1980(1), and of all other enabling powers, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations shall come into operation on 21st January 1985, and may be cited as the Builders' Skips (Markings) Regulations 1984.

2.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, a reference to a Regulation or a Schedule followed by a number is a reference to the Regulation or Schedule bearing that number in these Regulations.

(2) In these Regulations a reference to an end of a builder's skip shall, in a case where the skip is placed on a highway sideways, be construed as a reference to a side of the skip.

3. On and after 1st January 1986 each end of every builder's skip any part of which is placed on any part of a highway except a footway or a verge shall be marked with a marking which complies with—

- (a) the specifications about design set out in the diagrams and notes in Schedule 1, and
- (b) the requirements specified in Schedule 2.

4.—(1) Save as provided in paragraph (2) below, the whole of every marking with which a builder's skip is required by these Regulations to be marked shall be—

- (a) clean and efficient, and
- (b) clearly visible for a reasonable distance to persons using the highway on which the skip is placed.

(2) The requirement specified in paragraph (1)(b) above does not apply in respect of a marking, or part of a marking, on any door of a builder's skip whilst that door is required to be open for the purpose of loading or unloading the skip.

(1) section 139 of that Act has been amended by section 65 of the Transport Act 1982 (c.49).

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Secretary of State for Transport

11th December 1984

Nicholas Edwards
Secretary of State for Wales

SCHEDULE 1

(Regulation 3)

Specifications about design

SCHEDULE 2

(Regulation 3)

Requirements as to markings

1. The marking specified in Schedule 1 shall consist of two plates of equal size and the same shape as one another.

2. Each such plate shall comply with the requirements specified in the British Standard Specification for Rear Marking Plates for Vehicles issued by the British Standards Institution and published on 1st April 1970 under number BS AU 152: 1970 and shall be marked as provided in paragraph 5 of that Standard.

3. The two plates comprising the marking shall be securely attached to the end of the builder's skip in such a manner that—

- (a) each plate is as near to an outer edge of the skip as the construction of the skip allows, so, however, that no part of any plate projects beyond an outer edge of the end of the skip;
- (b) the innermost edge of each plate is parallel to and the same distance from the vertical plane passing through the longitudinal axis of the skip;
- (c) the upper edge of each plate is parallel to and the same distance from the upper edge of the end of the skip;
- (d) no part of either plate is attached to—
 - (i) any lid, or
 - (ii) any door except in a case where a door is the only place to which the plate can possibly or conveniently be fixed; and
- (e) the upper edge of each plate is—
 - (i) not more than 1.5 metres from the ground, and
 - (ii) not lower than the upper edge of the skip save in so far as this may be necessary on account of the construction of the skip, the provisions of Regulation 4 or the provisions of sub-paragraph (i) above.

4. The stippled areas in the diagram in Schedule 1 shall be of red fluorescent material, and the unstippled areas in that diagram shall be of yellow reflex reflecting material.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

1. By these Regulations the power conferred by section 139 of the Highways Act 1980 as amended by section 65 of the Transport Act 1982 to require builder's skips to be marked in a prescribed manner is exercised.

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2. These Regulations require each end of every builder's skip to be marked as specified in Schedules 1 and 2 (Regulation 3).

3. Those requirements apply to each end of every builder's skip any part of which is placed on any part of a highway except a footway or a verge (Regulation 3).

4. Every marking with which a builder's skip is required to be marked by these Regulations shall be clean and efficient and (except when fitted to a door which is required to be open for the purpose of loading or unloading the skip) shall be clearly visible for a reasonable distance to persons using the highway on which the skip is placed (Regulation 4).

5. Copies of the British Standard mentioned in paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 may be obtained from any of the sales outlets operated by the British Standards Institution, or by post from that Institution at Linford Wood, Milton Keynes, MK14 6LE (telephone number Milton Keynes (STD 0908) 320066).