
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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ROAD TRAFFIC

**The School Crossing Patrol Sign
(England and Wales) Regulations 2002**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>5th December 2002</i>
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<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>9th January 2003</i>

The Secretary of State for Transport in exercise of the powers conferred by section 28(4) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984⁽¹⁾ and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with section 134(2) of that Act, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement, revocation and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the School Crossing Patrol Sign (England and Wales) Regulations 2002 and shall come into force on 9th January 2003.

(2) In the Traffic Signs Regulations 1994⁽²⁾ regulations 19(4)(b) and 39(1) and diagram 605.2 in Schedule 2 are revoked.

(3) These Regulations extend to England and Wales.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

- (a) “patrol sign” means a sign exhibited by a school crossing patrol for the purpose of stopping a vehicle in accordance with section 28(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984;
- (b) “perimeter strip” has the meaning given by regulation 3(3);
- (c) “the pole” means the pole comprised in a patrol sign;
- (d) “retroreflecting material” means material which reflects a ray of light back towards the source of that light; and
- (e) “the roundel” means the roundel comprised in a patrol sign.

(1) 1984 c. 27; section 28(1) was amended by the Transport Act 2000 (c. 38) section 270(3)(a).
(2) Part I of S.I. 1994/1519, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

Size, colour and type of patrol sign

- 3.—(1) A patrol sign shall comprise a roundel and a pole on which the roundel is mounted.
- (2) The roundel shall be not less than 450 nor more than 470 millimetres in diameter and each of its faces shall be of the colour and type shown in the Schedule to these Regulations.
- (3) A protective strip, in these Regulations called a “perimeter strip”, may be applied to the perimeter of the roundel in accordance with the requirements of paragraph (4).
- (4) The requirements are that—
- (a) the perimeter strip shall not be retroreflecting;
 - (b) the perimeter strip shall be either coloured red or uncoloured and transparent;
 - (c) the part of the red border of the roundel not covered by the perimeter strip shall be at least 40 millimetres wide;
 - (d) the overall width of the red border together with the perimeter strip shall not exceed 50 millimetres; and
 - (e) the diameter of the part of the roundel coloured black and yellow shall not be less than 360 millimetres.
- (5) If a patrol sign was first used before the coming into force of these Regulations with a perimeter strip applied to the roundel, that strip may be retained even if it does not comply with the requirements of paragraph (4).
- (6) Paragraph (5) shall cease to have effect on 1st January 2004.
- (7) The pole shall be coloured with alternating black and yellow bands of equal size and not less than 285 nor more than 315 millimetres deep and with a black band uppermost below the roundel.

Illumination

- 4.—(1) The yellow bands on the pole may be illuminated by means of retroreflecting material.
- (2) The parts of the roundel coloured black shall not be illuminated by means of retroreflecting material.
- (3) Subject to paragraph (4), the parts of the roundel coloured yellow shall be fluorescent.
- (4) With the exception of the parts coloured black and any perimeter strip, the roundel shall be illuminated by means of retroreflecting material, but retroreflecting material applied to the parts coloured yellow shall, if that material is not fluorescent, be applied in horizontal strips with gaps between the strips.
- (5) The parts of the roundel coloured red may be fluorescent.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

5th December 2002

David Jamieson,
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THE SCHEDULE

Regulation 3

THE ROUNDEL OF A PATROL SIGN



EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations prescribe, as respects England and Wales, the size, colour and type of the sign which, in accordance with section 28 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, a school crossing patrol may exhibit so as to require traffic to stop when approaching a place where a person is crossing or seeking to cross a road. The sign was previously prescribed as diagram 605.2 in the Traffic Signs Regulations 1994 (Part I of S.I. [1994/1519](#)). These Regulations were notified in draft to the European Commission in accordance with Directive [98/34/EC](#) as amended by Directive [98/48/EC](#). Copies of the Directives can be obtained from the Stationery Office.