

Section 21:

## Regulatory traffic signs

This section includes the signs that show a road regulation is in place. These **must** be obeyed.

Regulatory signs show the course a driver **must** follow and an action they are required to take or forbidden to take. They are usually circular and have a red border and black symbols or letters on a white background. Mandatory regulatory signs that indicate the direction traffic **must** take at junctions are blue and white.



Stop



Yield



Yield



School wardens  
stop sign



No left turn



No entry or 'No  
straight ahead'



No right turn



Parking prohibited



Clearway



Max speed limit  
30kmh



Max speed limit  
50kmh



Max speed limit  
60kmh



Max speed limit  
80kmh



Max speed limit  
100kmh



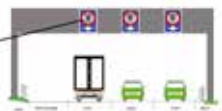
Max speed limit  
120kmh

The following is an alternative design for the 80kmh speed limit sign. This sign may be provided:

- on a local road to indicate that a speed limit of 80kmh applies; or
- at a location where special speed limit bye-laws specify that the special speed limit of 80kmh applies in respect of a local road or part of a local road in a built-up area.



Max speed limit  
80kmh



Speed limits per lane



No bicycles



No ridden or  
accompanied  
horses



No entry to  
vehicles



Maximum gross  
weight (traffic  
management)



Maximum vehicle  
length



Maximum vehicle  
width



Maximum axle  
weight



No overtaking for  
three-axle vehicles



No horse carriages



Height restriction



Taxi rank



No entry for large  
vehicles (by reference  
to weight)



No U-turn



No overtaking



Height restriction



Pedestrianised  
street



Parking permitted



Disc parking plate



Zonal restriction –  
no parking of large  
vehicles



End of the  
restriction zone

## Mandatory signs at junctions (white and blue)



Turn left ahead



Turn right ahead



Turn left



Turn right



Straight ahead



Keep left



Keep right



Pass either side



Mini roundabout

## Manual traffic control sign at roadworks



No entry for pedestrians to tramway



Stop



Either form of Go or Téigh can be used



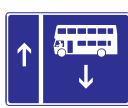
No entry to goods vehicles  
(by reference to number of axles)



With flow bus lane on left



With flow bus lane on right



Contra flow bus lane



Tram lane on left



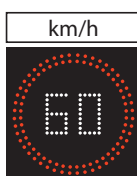
Tram lane on right



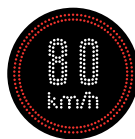
Start of cycle track



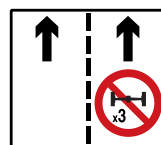
End of cycle track



Electronic variable speed limit sign  
(tunnel only)



Variable speed limit



In a tunnel goods vehicles cannot use right-hand lane  
(by reference to number of axles)



Electronic periodic speed limit sign



Electronic periodic speed limit sign at school



Ach Amháin Tramanna

EXCEPT TRAMS

Tram only street



Ach amháin Tramanna agus Rochtain  
EXCEPT TRAMS AND ACCESS

Tram and access only street



Ach Amháin Busanna

EXCEPT BUSES

Bus only street



Turn back



Pedestrians and bicycles only



Separate bicycle and pedestrian lanes

## Traffic lane control signs: tunnels, national roads and motorways



Go (Lane open)



Stop (Lane closed)



Move into the  
left-hand lane

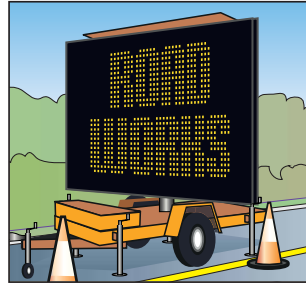


Move into the  
right-hand lane

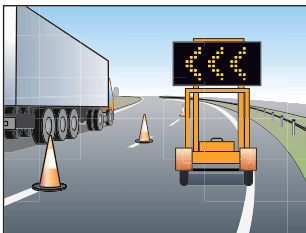
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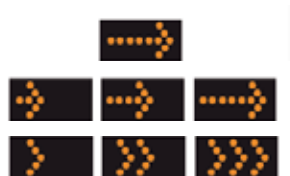
Overhead VMS



Mobile VMS displaying text message



Mobile VMS displaying chevrons



Examples of VMS chevron formats

## Section 22:

# Warning traffic signs



This section includes signs that warn road users of a hazard ahead. They are diamond or rectangular in shape and have a black border and black symbols or letters on a yellow background.



Dangerous corner  
ahead



Roundabout ahead



Mini-Roundabout  
ahead



Merging traffic



Two-way traffic



Dangerous bend  
ahead



Series of  
dangerous bends  
ahead



Series of  
dangerous corners  
ahead



Restricted  
headroom



T-junction

Junction ahead with roads of less importance  
(the latter being indicated by arms of lesser width)



T-junction



Y-junction



Side road



Crossroads

## Junction ahead with a road or roads of equal importance



Crossroads



Side road



T-junction



Y-junction



Staggered  
crossroads

## Advance warning of a major road (or dual carriageway ahead)



T-junction with  
dual carriageway



Crossroads with  
dual carriageway



Crossroads

## General purpose warning signs



Drive on left



Safe height plate



Low flying aircraft



Road divides



Merging/diverging  
traffic



Dual carriageway  
ends



Traffic cross-over  
ahead



Overhead electric  
cables



Traffic signals  
ahead



Pedestrian crossing  
ahead



Slippery road  
ahead



Road narrows on  
both sides



Road narrows from  
left



Road narrows from  
right



Tunnel ahead



Cyclists



Start of a passing lane



Lane loss



Start of a climbing lane



Loop road ahead



Sharp dip ahead



Series of bumps or hollows ahead



Sharp rise ahead  
– for example,  
hump-back bridge



Deer or wild animals



Sheep



Cattle and farm animals



Accompanied horses and ponies



Crosswinds



Steep descent ahead



Steep ascent ahead



Danger of falling rocks



Unprotected quay,  
canal or river  
ahead



Low bridge ahead  
(height restriction  
shown)



Level crossing  
ahead, guarded  
by gates or lifting  
barrier



Level crossing  
ahead, unguarded  
by gates or lifting  
barrier



Level crossing  
ahead with lights  
and barriers



Stop when lights  
are red



Automatic level  
crossing ahead



Chevron board  
(a sharp change of direction to the left)



Chevron board  
(a sharp change of direction to the right)

## Warning signs for schools and children



School ahead



School children  
crossing ahead



Children crossing  
(in residential area)

## Tram signs



Tram lane  
crossing ahead



Tram lane warning signs for pedestrians



Slippery for cyclists

## Section 23:

# Warning signs for roadworks

This section includes the warning signs for roadworks. Like other warning signs, these are diamond or rectangular in shape and have a black border and black symbols or text. However, they are orange in colour instead of yellow.



Roadworks ahead



One-lane crossover  
(out)



One-lane crossover  
(back)



Move to left  
(one lane)



Move to right  
(one lane)



Move to left  
(two lanes)



Move to right  
(two lanes)



Obstruction  
between lanes



End of obstruction  
between lanes



Start of central  
reserve or  
obstruction



End of central  
reserve or  
obstruction



Lanes diverge at  
crossover



Lanes rejoin at  
crossover



Two-lanes  
crossover (back)



Two-lanes  
crossover (out)



Single lane (for  
shuttle working)



Two-way traffic



Road narrows  
from left



Road narrows  
from right



Road narrows  
on both sides



Offside lane (of two) closed



Nearside lane (of two) closed



Offside lane (of three) closed



Nearside lane (of three) closed



Two offside lanes (of three) closed



Two nearside lanes (of three) closed.  
Two alternative styles



Offside lane (of four) closed



Nearside lane (of four) closed



Two offside lanes (of four) closed



Two nearside lanes (of four) closed



Side road on left



Side road on right



Site access on left



Site access on right



Temporary traffic signals ahead



Flagman ahead



Queues likely



Hump or ramp



Uneven surface



Slippery road



Loose chippings



Pedestrians cross to left



Pedestrians cross to right



Overhead electric cables



Detour ahead



Detour to left



Detour to right



Road closed



Diverted traffic left



Diverted traffic



Diverted traffic



Diverted traffic

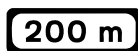


End of detour

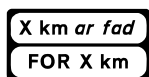


Detour destination

### Information plates at roadworks



Distance



Length



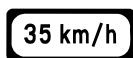
Direction



Direction and distance



End



Cautionary speed



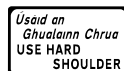
Slow



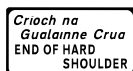
Concealed entrance



Type of works



Use hard shoulder



Hard shoulder closed



Unfinished road surface



Barrier board



Chevron board



Speed limit ahead

### Manual traffic control sign at roadworks



Flagman ahead



Stop



Either form of Go or Téigh can be used



Section 24:

## Information signs

This section includes road signs showing directions and the location of services or other places of interest to tourists.

### Advance direction signs



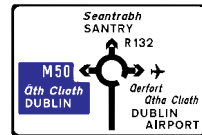
Motorway



National road



National road



Regional road



Lane destination sign



Dublin Port Tunnel ahead

### Direction signs (at junctions)



Motorway direction  
sign



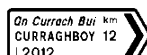
National road direction signs



Regional road  
direction sign



Regional road  
direction sign



Local road direction sign



Destination distance sign



Town or village sign



Cycle track information signs with numbers  
referring to mapped cycle routes



Slow lane sign



Cul-de-sac



Industrial estate  
symbol



Disabled persons  
parking bay



Airport symbol



Ferry symbol



Alternative route  
for high vehicles



Lay-by ahead sign



Hospital ahead  
sign



Lay-by sign



Hospital sign



Car park with  
facilities for disabled  
persons



SOS lay-by



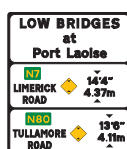
Speed camera



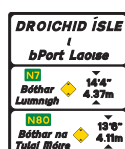
Speed limit change  
ahead



Advance information sign  
for low clearance



Advance information sign  
for low clearance



Alternative route for  
heavy vehicles



## Ramps on road



## Sign for Óige youth hostels



Alternative route off  
the motorway



Pedestrian sign to a  
tourist attraction



Sign to approved  
tourist information points