

# Safety at Street Works and Road Works

**Q: What do all these sites have in common?**



**A: They all create a danger to road users, pedestrians and the people working on the site!**



Those responsible are committing a criminal act under the New Roads & Street Works Act 1991, which could result in a **criminal prosecution** and an **unlimited fine** if found guilty. It does not matter if you work for a utility company, a contractor or a highway authority, the rules are the same - and so are the consequences.



## Prosecutions

Fines of over £1m have been imposed as a result of prosecutions - details of some are on the HSE website and at [www.aldercross.com](http://www.aldercross.com).

## Code of Practice

This Code of Practice came into effect on 1 October 2014. Failure to comply with the Code is a criminal offence and may lead to criminal prosecution, in addition to any civil proceedings. Compliance with the Code will be taken as compliance with the legal requirements to which it relates. Local highway authorities in England and Wales must comply with this Code for their own works. A statutory undertaker, and those working on its behalf, carrying out work under the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991, must comply with this Code for their own works.

The Code is directed at operatives, supervisors, managers, planners and designers who are responsible for making sure that all street and road works are safe for both operatives and the public. Failure to comply with this Code is evidence of failing to fulfil the legal requirements to sign, light and guard works.

If you are involved in street works or road works you need to know about what is now required of you.

## Training and Competence

Only appropriately trained and competent operatives, supervisors, managers or other competent persons should be engaged in the assessment, design, setting up, maintaining and removing of signing, lighting, guarding and temporary traffic control.

## Training Courses

**If you are interested in a training day for up to 20 people for your organisation, for less than £100 per head, please get in touch with us.**

**For more details and online booking please go to [www.aldercross.com](http://www.aldercross.com), send us an e-mail or speak with us at the Reception Desk today.**

*We all really enjoyed the course and found it to be of great value and very informative.*

**Nottingham CC**

*Very informative and worthwhile.*

**Halton BC**

*I really enjoyed the course and would definitely recommend it.*

**Denbighshire CC**

*We got far more from the course than anybody ever could from just asking our employees, including partnered contractors and consultants, to read and understand the Red Book.*

**Hertfordshire CC**



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