

3.13 ROAD MARKINGS

OBJECTIVES

- To guide drivers and to improve predictability of vehicle path for the benefit of pedestrians and cyclists
- To indicate priority

SPEED REDUCTION RATING "C"

DESIGN FEATURES

Subject to regulations and guidance from the Department of Transport.

APPLICATION

Useful in "traffic" areas for safety, and may be extended into "mixed priority" areas for the same reason. To be avoided as far as possible in "living" areas with a speed limit of 20 mph or below.

DIMENSIONS

As laid down by regulations or specifically authorised by the Department of Transport.

SUPPORTING MEASURES

Not applicable.

POSITIVE FACTORS

- Simple, cheap and usually effective
- Useful at night

NEGATIVE FACTORS

- Unsightly, and lack self-enforcing qualities
- Some markings (e.g. centre lines) encourage speed



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18: Unsightly bus stop markings, Germany. (Photo: T. Pharoah)



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19: Signs and markings are noticeable by their absence in this traffic-calmed street. Cologne, Germany. (Photo: T. Pharoah)



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20: These markings clearly indicate the cycle path at the approach to traffic lights in Exeter. (Photo: Devon County Council)