

POLICY

01 Routing

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To adhere to compliant, safe and efficient routes.

The Company ensures that the operation is as efficient as possible whilst minimising safety, environmental and congestion impacts on the road network. And that consideration will be given to all the issues that have an impact on the environment, operational costs, and the risks to all road users, particularly vulnerable road users.

The Company's procedures plan and adhere to compliant, safe and efficient routes. The procedure must specifically include adherence to:

- Prescribed passenger routes
- Designated construction routes
- Permit-controlled routes, such as the London Lorry Control Scheme

A risk assessment is in place on prescribed passenger routes and designated construction routes providing instructions to drivers. This may be communicated as a method statement.

The risk assessment or method statement includes:

- Origin, destinations and any specific hazards identified
- Any route permits and approvals required
- Community considerations such as schools, hospitals and cycle routes
- The impact on working time and drivers' hours
- Vehicle dimension and weight restrictions, particularly at bridges and structures
- Vehicle emissions standards and restrictions
- Parking, loading and unloading restrictions
- Any road user charging schemes or tolls

Any deviations from designated, permitted or controlled routes should be justified with unauthorised deviations being investigated.

Routes should be used that minimise distance driven and fuel used, and minimise the use of routes that are subject of local air quality exceedances. Distances travelled across the fleet must be recorded by vehicle type. Any client specified route or schedule requirement that conflicts with compliance, safety or environmental objectives must be raised with the client for discussion and resolution.

Instructions to drivers may include specific route information and turn-by-turn directions.

If this is provided using navigation technology, the device must be customized for the vehicle weight and dimensions and subject to a risk assessment or method statement.

The procedure, risk assessments and method statements relevant to routing and scheduling must be:

Documented and reviewed in accordance with requirement M1

Retained in accordance with requirement M2

Communicated in accordance with requirement M5

Developed considering any load constraints in accordance with requirement V5

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