

What if I still have problems entering and leaving my property?

By having a 'H' marking installed you have highlighted to all road users the extent of your vehicular access crossing. If you continue to experience problems entering or leaving your property due to other vehicle users blocking or severely restricting easy access over your vehicular access crossing then this is 'Obstructing the Highway' and is a Police matter.

Please note that having a 'H' marking installed does not give you permission to park on it. Anyone blocking or parking in front of a vehicular access crossing is 'Obstructing the Highway' and liable to prosecution by the Police.

Any further questions?

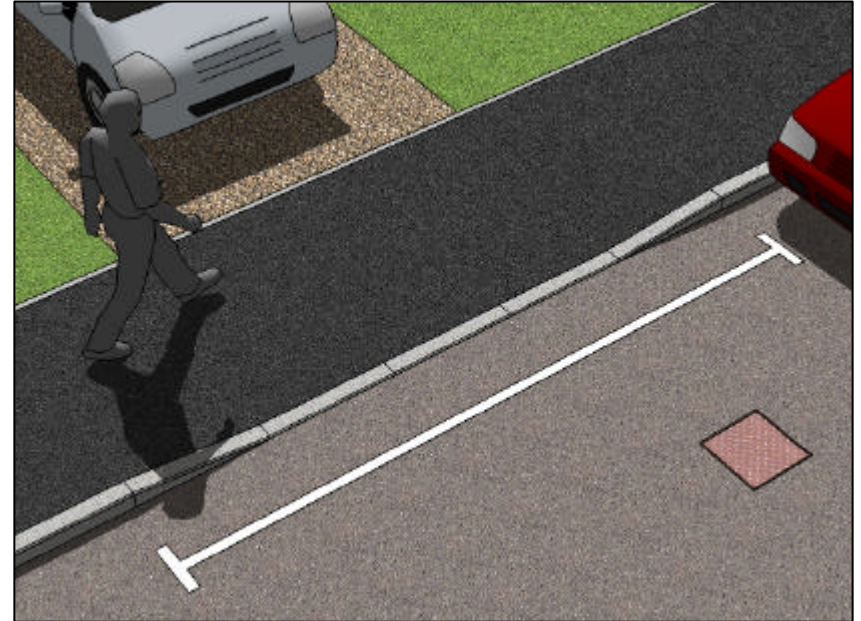
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**ROAD MARKING FOR
VEHICULAR ACCESS
CROSSING**

Are you having problems entering and leaving your property?

You may be experiencing problems entering and leaving your property due to other vehicle users parking on, or too close to your vehicular access crossing. A vehicular access crossing road marking (often called a 'H' marking) can be used to highlight to all road users the extent of your crossing.

What permission do I need for a 'H' marking?

You need to gain permission from the County Council (Highway Authority) for a 'H' marking to be placed on the highway and the marking must be installed by the Authority's approved specialist contractor.

Will I always get permission for a 'H' marking?

No. Permission will be refused for a 'H' marking if the Highway Authority considers there to be a problem with your vehicular access crossing or they may consider the use of a 'H' marking inappropriate. Permission will also be refused if yellow lines already exist across your vehicle access crossing.

What if I do not get permission?

You do not have a choice. Permission can only be granted by the Highway Authority. Placing road markings on the highway without permission is illegal and may lead to prosecution. You may then have to pay a fine and the cost of removing the road marking from the highway. If you have paid a charge and do not get permission, the charge will be returned to you.

Who pays for the work?

As householder, you will have to pay for all the work.

How quickly can I get permission?

Once you have completed the application form and returned the form with the charge required, a site visit will be undertaken. The exact time taken will depend upon circumstances, but we would expect to give a

decision within two weeks.

Vehicular access crossings are all different sizes. What is the charge for a 'H' marking?

A charge of £94 is made for each separate 'H' marking regardless of the size of the vehicular access crossing they relate to. If your property has more than one vehicular access crossing and the crossings are separated by full height kerbing, then each access crossing is classed as a separate crossing.

What if I share my vehicular access crossing with my neighbour?

If you share a vehicular access crossing with your neighbour and have their agreement we can place a 'H' marking across the whole width of the shared crossing. This would be charged as a single 'H' marking. If you are unable to reach an agreement with your neighbour then we would only be able to place the 'H' marking on your side of the shared crossing.

What if I am a Blue Badge Holder?

If you are a Blue Badge Holder and reside at the property requiring the 'H' marking then you may be eligible for a 'H' marking free of charge. Funding for this is limited so please telephone (01223) 814500 before completing the application form. We will be able to advise if funding is still available.

Once permission is granted how long does it take to install a 'H' marking?

Our specialist contractor often experiences the same problems you may be experiencing with parked vehicles and restrictive access. The 'H' marking is applied hot, so the contractor needs extra space to work safely. The contractor may visit site more than once before obtaining a safe working environment.

We would normally expect the 'H' marking to be installed within a couple of months.