

## Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 APPLICATION FOR CONSENT

Please tick the applicable box:

A	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>EXCAVATION</b> (Section 56, 59, 60 & 61)	Carry out general excavations in the road or footway. (excludes excavations to place and retain apparatus in road - this requires a Section 109 application form to be submitted)
B	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>FOOTWAY DROPPED CROSSINGS</b> (Section 56, 59, 60 & 61)	Excavate the footway to accommodate a proposed driveway or other access requirements.
C	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>ROAD OCCUPATION</b> (Section 58)	Occupy a portion of road to place materials, site huts, storage containers, contractors' plant etc.
D	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>SCAFFOLDING</b> (Section 58)	Scaffolding/hoarding/fencing, staging and access towers.
E	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>TOWER CRANE</b> (Section 58)	Erection of tower crane from adjacent public road (e.g. associated mobile cranes, lorries etc.).
F	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>HOISTS, MOBILE CRANES &amp; CHERRY PICKERS &amp; HIAB</b> (Section 58)	Operation of mobile cranes and hoists from adjacent public road.

TOTAL COST of Permit (for office use only)	£	<i>Road Permits to check total cost of permit and advise permit desk of any errors</i>
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1. Location of proposed works	
2. Description of work	

3. Date Works Planned			
Start Date		Completed Date	

4. Name and address of client/property to whom this consent may be issued.	5. Name and address of Agent acting for the owner. (if applicable)	6. Name and address of contractor.
Phone	Phone	Phone
Mobile	Mobile	Mobile
Email	Email	Email

I/We agree to comply with the conditions set out in the attached notes pertaining to a permission granted as a result of this application.

Name of owner/agent or contractor.....

Signature of owner/agent or contractor..... Date.....

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Following approval of the Council as Roads Authority, and pursuant to Section 140 of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 all expenses reasonably incurred for site inspection associated with the issue of permits under Section 58 Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 will be recovered by means of a charge payable by the applicant at the time of permit issue. A scale of charges applicable for the issue of Section 58 permits is detailed on the enclosed sheet of Notes and Guidelines.

## ROAD EXCAVATION PERMIT

### PERMIT APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

**You must provide:**

1. Completed Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 – Sections 56 application form.
2. For all Category A (Excavation) and B (Footway Dropped Crossing) applications:-
  - a. A copy of NRSWA accreditation certificate for Works Supervisor.
  - b. A copy of NRSWA accreditation certificate for Works Operatives.
2. One drawing to a readable scale with the position or the approximate route of the excavation to be marked in red.
3. A traffic management drawing to demonstrate that the proposal will not be detrimental to the safe and convenient passage of pedestrians, vehicles or other road users. Please refer to the publication “Safety at Street Works and Road Works – A Code of Practice” for guidance (ISBN No.9780115531453).
5. Affirmative statements that a request for public utility/statutory undertakers plant and service drawings has been made. To obtain assistance in obtaining information on any underground apparatus that may be affected by your excavation, you can contact the ‘Dial Before You Dig’ Freephone service on 0800 231 251.
6. Level drawings for the existing site and any proposed changes.
7. A detailed specification for reinstatement.
8. A method statement covering the nature and extent of the works.
9. A risk assessment.
10. A copy of current Public Liability Insurance.
11. Fees as detailed (fees to be submitted with the application).

**Important Notes (*Please note that incomplete forms will not be accepted and in such instance, consent will not be granted*)**

- a) The introduction of the Tram system in Edinburgh has highlighted the need to make all developers and contractors aware of the restrictions which will be introduced, to safeguard the route and protect the overhead line equipment and underground services.

As well as the existing functioning route, the route extending to Newhaven is being protected for future works.

If you intend carrying out work on or near one of the streets listed in Appendix A, please contact the local roads engineer for the area who will be able to advise you further.

- b) Please note that a minimum period of notice is required for permit processing and that this timescale may increase if a site meeting is required. Notice periods for different types of permit are shown below. It is in the public interest that the authority must process your application before it can be granted. The time to process your application will vary depending on the complexity of the proposal and so the Council cannot give a general timescale for approvals. You must wait until the Council has formally approved your application before proceeding.
- c) You must keep the Council informed of the actual start and completion dates and any changes to your proposed dates. Failure to do so may lead to a fine. Please see below for details of your responsibilities to update the Council.
- d) As each site is unique you may wish to consult us regarding feasibility and any relevant conditions that may apply. Any special conditions applied to this consent must be observed.
- e) No loads are permitted to be carried over streets or adjoining properties.
- f) Applications to place mobile cranes, hoists or cherry-pickers on the footway will not normally be given consideration as most footways are not constructed to accommodate such loadings. Only in exceptional circumstances will this be considered, and permissions will only be given after a condition survey is carried out on the footway. In such cases, the applicant will then be liable for any damage or resulting public liability claims arising from their operations.
- g) All loading / unloading of materials will be restricted to the limits of the site.
- h) Applicants will be required to check for any underground structures (such as cellars) to ensure that these are not adversely affected by the proposal.
- i) If you propose to work out with 0700hrs to 1900hrs Monday to Saturday and your works are likely to generate noise, you must contact The City of Edinburgh Council's Noise Abatement Team on 0131 529 3030. (email: asknoise@edinburgh.gov.uk).
- j) If the works affect the operation of an existing bus stop, a temporary bus stop can be obtained by contacting: BSI Department, Lothian Buses, Annandale St, Edinburgh, EH7 4AZ. Phone 0131 475 0254 (Ansaphone)

Please note that Lothian Buses will initially require 7 days' notice for providing this facility, followed by 24 hrs notice to confirm the specific time required.

### How Much Advance Notice Is Required

There are 3 main factors to take into account when considering how much advance notice you must give of your intended start date.

- The Permit Type
- Whether or not the Street in which you are working is Traffic-Sensitive
- Whether or not the works or road occupation will require a road closure, lane occupation or other Temporary Traffic Regulation Order.

In order to allow the necessary time for advance registration and general application processing, your application should be submitted so that it gives at least the notice periods indicated on the charges page. Please note that these periods are calculated from the time a complete application is received.

Please note that if there is a need for a site meeting to discuss the application, additional consultation, or additional information then the application process may take longer.

### Traffic Sensitive Streets

Some Roads in Edinburgh are designated as “Traffic-Sensitive” because of their importance to traffic flow within the City. Roads may be traffic-sensitive all of the time, or only for part of the time on certain days, e.g. at Peak Periods.

To find out if the Street in which you intend to work is traffic-sensitive check the Council website at [www.edinburgh.gov.uk](http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk) or by contacting us. The site has a download which shows whether or not the whole Street is traffic-sensitive, or only a part of it, and the times at which it is designated as traffic-sensitive. If the Street is not on this list, then it is not designated traffic-sensitive.

You should contact us for more information if:

- The whole road is not traffic-sensitive and you want to find out which sections are not;
- You think the works you are planning will be carried out wholly out with the traffic-sensitive period for the Street.

## Applicant's Responsibilities for Progress Updates

Once a Permit is approved the Transport (Scotland) Act requires that the works are registered on the Scottish Road Works Register **and updated** to reflect any changes in proposed start or end dates as well as the date work *actually* starts and is completed.

The following table details when you must inform the Council of changes to intended dates and progress once work has begun. Fines may be applied if you do not do so.

<b>Permit Type</b>	<b>Change to Intended Start or End Date *</b>	<b>Work / Occupation Begun</b>	<b>Work / Occupation / Completed</b>
Excavate the road or pavement	Yes. ASAP	Yes. By 17:00 the day work begins.	Yes. By 17:00 the day work is completed.
Occupy a portion of road to place materials, site huts, storage containers, contractors plant etc	Yes. ASAP	Yes. By 17:00 on the day occupation begins.	Yes. By 17:00 the day occupation is completed.
Occupy a portion of road to erect scaffolding, hoarding, staging, fencing and access towers	Yes. ASAP	Yes. By 17:00 the day occupation begins.	Yes. By 17:00 the day occupation is completed.
Occupy a portion of road to erect or operate a tower crane, mobile crane, hoist, or cherry picker	Yes. ASAP	Yes. By 17:00 the day occupation begins	Yes. By 17:00 the day occupation is completed.
Deposit a skip on the public road	Yes. ASAP	Not Required	Yes. By 17:00 the day skip is removed.

\* If you have started work or an occupation and wish to extend the Permit then you must contact us at the earliest opportunity. **A works extension request for works or occupation on a traffic-sensitive road must be submitted at least 3 days before the date on which you originally planned to finish.** An extension to the Permit may require that an additional fee be paid.

If you want to bring the start date forward, you may find that there are legal restrictions on how soon you can start, so you must consult us as soon as possible.

## Working Safely – Edinburgh Trams



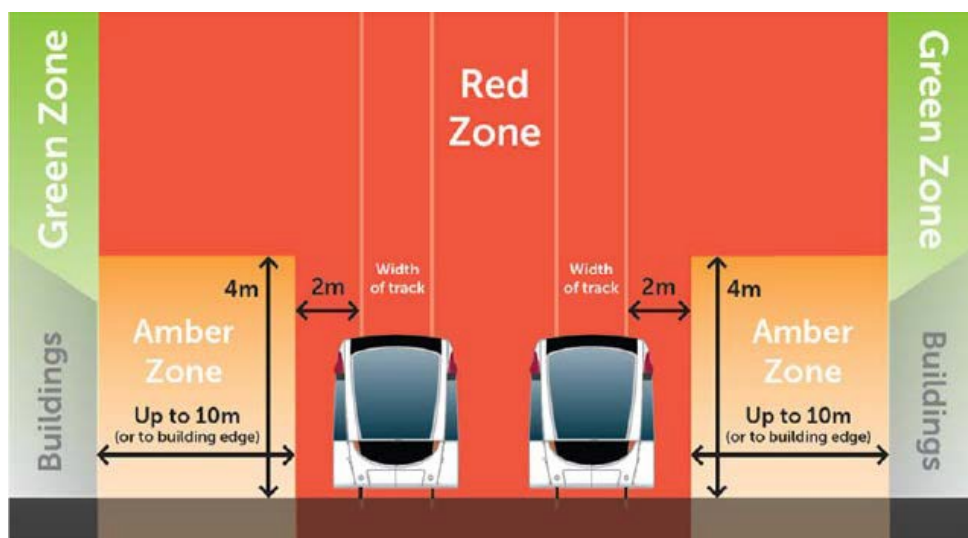
### Authorisation is required to work on or near Edinburgh Trams

The Hazard Zone defines the area within which there is the potential for encountering **live** voltage cables and tramway infrastructure and is defined in the drawing below.

Authorisation is required for **all** work carried out within the Red Hazard Zone and other situations. Authorisation may be required for work carried out in the Amber Hazard Zone.

Unauthorised work can be dangerous and is contrary to the Edinburgh Tram Byelaws and New Roads and Street Works Act (Scotland) 1991 Section 152.

It is **your** responsibility to obtain an Authorisation to Work from Edinburgh Trams in addition to any permit applied for from The City of Edinburgh Council.



To apply for authorisation for any works in proximity of the Hazard Zone, an Authority to Work (AtW) must be submitted in the first instance saying when and where the work will be carried out, and describing the work to be done.

**Apply here:** <https://edinburghtrams.com/atw>

Further information regarding working in proximity to power lines and cables can be obtained from the Health & Safety Executive, Guidance Note GS6 'Avoiding Danger from Overhead Power Lines'.

Contact Edinburgh Trams General Enquiries on 0131 622 8910 (recorded line) or email [tram.control@edinburghtrams.com](mailto:tram.control@edinburghtrams.com).

**In case of an emergency**, please dial 0131 622 8919 (recorded line).

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THE CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL

## SERVICE LIST FOR PERMIT APPLICATIONS

BRITISH TELECOM  
T 0800 800 865  
F 01782 204 846

THE NATIONAL NOTICE HANDLING CENTRE  
PP 404B TELECOM HOUSE  
HANDLEY  
STOKE ON TRENT  
ST1 5ND

SCOTIA GAS NETWORKS  
T. 0131 469 1733  
Or 0131 469 1744  
F. 0131 335 3806

ACCESS HOUSE  
5 LONEHEAD DRIVE  
NEWBRIDGE  
EDINBURGH  
EH28 8TG

\*SCOTTISH WATER  
T. 0845 601 8855  
F. 0131 445 6626

55 BUCKSTONE TERRACE  
EDINBURGH  
EH10 6XH

\*DRAINAGE  
T. 0845 601 8855  
F. 0131 445 6626

55 BUCKSTONE TERRACE  
EDINBURGH  
EH10 6XH

SCOTTISH POWER  
T. 0845 272 1212

CATHCART BUSINESS PARK  
SPEAN STREET  
GLASGOW  
G44 4YQ

STREET LIGHTING  
T. 0131 458 8010

14 BANKHEAD AVENUE  
EDINBURGH  
EH11 4HD

FIREMASTER  
SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE  
T. 0131 344 5200

21 CLAYLANDS ROAD  
NEWBRIDGE  
EDINBURGH  
EH28 8LF

**\* Scottish Water do not require plans to be submitted.**

**SCALE DRAWINGS MUST BE STAMPED BY ALL THE ABOVE UTILITIES**

**WE WILL ACCEPT RECORDED DELIVERY SLIPS AS PROOF OF DRAWINGS BEING SENT**

## Charges for Road Occupation from 1 February 2025 to 31 March 2026\*\*\*

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT			Minimum Notice Period~
Provision of Temporary Traffic Regulation Notice (TTRN) (up to 5 days duration)~~	£675		10 working days
Provision of Temporary Traffic Regulation Order (TTRO) (Greater than 5 days duration)~~	£900 + advertising costs		30 working days
SKIP PERMITS (SECTION 85*)			
Skip - large roll on/off skips will require prior agreement with the Roads Officer before applying	Up to 14 yard	£40 per week	3 working days
	20/40 yard skip	£120 per week	3 working days
ROAD OCCUPATION PERMITS (SECTION 58*)			
Scaffolding & Access	Scaffolding	£150 per 28 days	20 working days
	Hoarding (small refurb projects, shop fronts)	£150 per 28 days	20 working days
	Quick Form/Access Tower	£45 per day	10 working days
	MEWP/Cherry Picker	£60 per day	10 working days
Containers & Welfare Units	Storage Container or Welfare Unit	£130 per 28 days	20 working days
	Portable Chemical Toilets	£20 per week	10 working days
Material Storage	Fenced Off Area (up to 50m <sup>2</sup> )	£130 per 28 days	20 working days
Cranes	Mobile Cranes	£120 per day	20 working days
	Tower Crane Erection (with Mobile Crane)	£200 per day	20 working days
General Road Occupation	Tree Cutting, GPR Surveys, etc	£60 per day	10 working days
Complex Site Set Up Permits - this permit covers medium to large road occupations covering welfare units, drop off areas, scaffolding, hoarding and associated traffic management and walkways	51m <sup>2</sup> up to 150m <sup>2</sup>	£300 per 28 days	20 working days
	151m <sup>2</sup> up to 250m <sup>2</sup>	£600 per 28 days	20 working days
	251m <sup>2</sup> up to 350m <sup>2</sup>	£900 per 28 days	20 working days
	351m <sup>2</sup> up to 450m <sup>2</sup>	£1,200 per 28 days	20 working days
	451m <sup>2</sup> up to 550m <sup>2</sup>	£1,500 per 28 days	20 working days
	550m <sup>2</sup> plus	£1,800 per 28 days	20 working days
EXCAVATION PERMITS			
Excavation (Section 56*)	Alterations, Trial Holes, etc	£500 per location	20 working days
	Footway Dropped Crossings	£200 per location	10 working days
Section 109** (excavation to connect with utility apparatus) Installation of ducts, pipes, and cables in roads and/or pavements, by applicants other than public utilities (e.g., developers or their contractors)		£520 per location	20 working days
TABLES AND CHAIRS PERMITS (SECTION 59*)			
Premises inside the World Heritage Site		£196 per square metre	n/a
Premises outside of the World Heritage Site		£155 per square metre	n/a
SUSPENSION OF PARKING BAYS			
Suspension of parking bays (All parking bays)	Each individual parking bay which is suspended will be chargeable, at the relevant hourly pay and display rate for that location, for all operating hours during the period of the suspension edinburghsuspensions@nslservices.co.uk or 0131 672 1587		

\* Roads (Scotland) Act 1984

\*\* New Roads and Street Works Act 1991

### Applying for extensions to your permits

If you need to extend the period of your permit after it has been approved, you will need to apply for a new permit, please submit your request for an extension in good time to allow for it to be considered.

**Please note that the start and finish dates for permits will be determined by a Roads Officer in consultation with the applicant. The applicant will be obliged to keep the Council informed of any changes, and fines may be levied for a failure to do so.**

\*\*\* Note that fees and charges may change, typically on the 1<sup>st</sup> April of each year, so new application fees may be charged before the online information is updated. You will be charged the appropriate fee. ~~TTRO/N price changes will come in on 1st April 2025.

~Please note that these are the **minimum** notice periods to allow Roads Officers to review, coordinate and approve your works. From the 1st September 2025 a 25% surcharge will apply to all applications received within these minimum notice periods.



## **ARE YOU INVOLVED IN BUILDING WORK, SCAFFOLDING OR SKIP HIRING?**

DID YOU KNOW THAT **FIXED PENALTY NOTICES** OF £120 WERE INTRODUCED ON 1 OCTOBER 2008 FOR OFFENCES THAT INCLUDE:

- **THE DEPOSITING OF BUILDING MATERIAL;**
- **PLACING A SKIP; OR**
- **ERECTING SCAFFOLDING**

ON A ROAD WITHOUT PERMISSION FROM THE ROADS AUTHORITY?

FIXED PENALTY NOTICES CAN ALSO BE ISSUED FOR NOT COMPLYING WITH THE CONDITIONS OF A PERMIT GIVEN BY THE ROADS AUTHORITY.

FURTHER DETAILS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM ROADS AUTHORITIES AND AT OUR WEBSITE

[www.roadworksscotland.gov.uk](http://www.roadworksscotland.gov.uk)

## Appendix A - Roads designated as Roads with Special Engineering Difficulty

Under the Edinburgh Tram legislation the following roads will require special measures to be taken in the planning and execution of road works in order to avoid serious failure of the road and the structures thereon. It is intended that both the full carriageway and footway will be so designated.

Road	Extent of Effect
Lindsay Road (part)	That part of the road extending approximately 94 metres Southeast from the extended West kerblines of Annfield to approximately 18 metres West Northwest from the extended West kerblines of Annfield.
Ocean Drive	Entire road.
Constitution Street	Entire road.
Leith Walk	Entire road.
Picardy Place	Entire road.
Leith Street (part)	That part of the road extending approximately Southwest from the top of Leith Walk to a point approximately 75 metres Northeast of the extended Northeast kerblines of Greenside Row.
Broughton Street (part)	That part of the road extending approximately West, then North from the Southwest end of Leith Walk to a point approximately 45 metres South from the extended South kerblines of Broughton Street Lane.
York Place	Entire road.
Queen Street (part)	That part of the road extending approximately West from the western end of York Place to a point approximately 109 metres East of the extended East kerblines of North St David Street.
North St Andrew Street	Entire road.
St Andrew Square	The entire Westernmost road of the square.
South St Andrew Street	Entire road.
Princes Street (part)	Entire road approximately West of the junction with South St Andrew Street, including the entire junction area.
Shandwick Place	Entire road.
West Maitland Street	Entire road.
Haymarket	Entire road.
Haymarket Terrace (part)	Entire road from Haymarket to a point approximately 46 metres East of the extended East kerblines of Coates Gardens, including the junction with Haymarket Yards.
Haymarket Yards	Entire road.
Lochside Avenue (part)	That part of the road extending approximately West from the extended West kerblines of Lochside Crescent for approximately 25 metres.
South Gyle Broadway (part)	That part of the road extending from a point approximately 50 metres Northwest from the extended West kerblines of Gyle Avenue approximately Northwest for 115 metres.
The road north from the A8 Glasgow Road to Gogar Farm (part)	That part of the road extending approximately North from a point 18 metres from the North kerblines of the A8 Glasgow Road for 22 metres.
The road north from the A8 Glasgow Road to Castle Gogar (part)	That part of the road extending approximately North from a point 28 metres from the North kerblines of the A8 Glasgow Road for 22 metres.
Gogar Mains Farm Road (part)	That part of the road extending approximately North from a point 433 metres from the North kerblines of the A8 Glasgow Road for 24 metres.