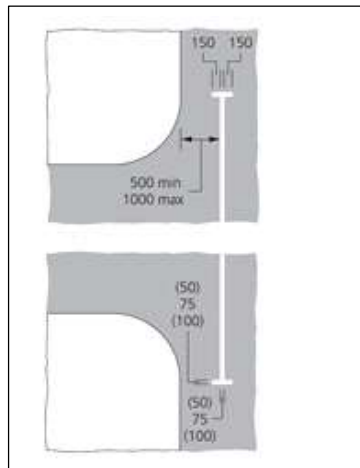


## APPLICATION FOR AN ADVISORY ACCESS PROTECTION MARKING OR TO REFRESH AN EXISTING ACCESS PROTECTION MARKING

The presence of dropped kerbs at a pedestrian crossing point or a driveway should be sufficient for motorists to identify part of the carriageway outside an entrance to off-street premises or a private drive, or where the kerb is dropped to provide a convenient crossing place for pedestrians, wheelchair users etc, which should be kept clear of waiting vehicles.

Regrettably, many motorists are either unaware of, or choose to disregard the need to keep these parts of the carriageway clear so they can be used safely and correctly as intended by other road users.

The **Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions** (commonly abbreviated to **TSRGD**) is the law that sets out the design and conditions of use of official traffic signs (which includes road markings) that can be lawfully placed on or near roads in Great Britain. The TSRGD gives authorisation for an advisory access protection marking to be installed across dropped kerbs or driveways to highlight to other road users the section of a carriageway which should be kept clear of waiting vehicles. An access protection marking is a single white line with short transverse markings at either end and is commonly referred to as a 'bar marking' or a 'H-bar'. The access protection marking is advisory only, has no legal standing and therefore cannot be enforced.



### Conditions

1. An application for an access protection marking **must include photographic evidence** to substantiate consistent obstructions being caused.
2. When an existing access protection marking has extensively worn away, a new application process must be undertaken before consideration will be given to refreshing the marking.
3. The current charge, approved by Council, for the installation of a new access protection marking or to refresh an existing access protection marking is **£187.25** for the year 2020/21.
4. The installation and maintenance of the access protection marking must only be carried out by the Council's appointed road marking contractor.
5. The applicant must not park on the access protection markings outside their driveway as such behaviour undermines its effectiveness. The Council may remove any access protection marking that is persistently being misused by residents or others.
6. Where a gap between two adjacent driveways is not sufficient to allow on-street parking without causing an obstruction, the access protection marking will need to be installed across both driveways. In these circumstances written agreement from the adjacent property owner must also be included with the application confirming acceptance that the access protection marking will be installed across their driveway. The charge for the one access protection marking covering the both driveways will remain the same as for a single driveway.
7. Applications to install an access protection marking where there are existing yellow line restrictions or white zigzag markings adjacent to a driveway access will not be approved.

Applications for an access protection marking will be determined by the Council officers after full consideration of the submitted evidence, sightline obstructions and any nearby parking restrictions.

Where a resident attempts to refurbish or maintain an access protection marking themselves, this will be deemed a contravention of condition 4 above and the marking may be removed.

**APPLICATION FOR AN ADVISORY ACCESS PROTECTION MARKING**

Applicant's Name: .....

Address: .....

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Contact Telephone Number: .....

Is the property a residential or commercial property? .....

Please list reasons for the parking difficulty: .....

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Attach evidence to substantiate consistent obstructions being caused (e.g. photographs, police incident report and/or incident no. etc.)

The decision to provide an access protection marking is at the discretion of the Roads Authority and it may not always be possible to facility in certain locations due to existing road layouts or for other road safety considerations.

Access protection markings are advisory only and therefore they will not be monitored or controlled by the Council.

Preventing physical access to or along a public road may, in certain circumstances, be judged as an obstruction by Police Scotland and they may choose to take suitable action against offenders if they consider it appropriate to do so.

Residents should not park on the access protection marking installed across the front of their driveway as this can undermine its effectiveness and lead to general abuse of it. The Council reserves the right to take the steps to remove the access protection marking, without refund of charge paid, if such abuse regularly takes place.

Signature:.....

Date:.....

Return completed applications along with any relevant supporting documentation & photographs and a cheque for the charge of £187.25

to

East Renfrewshire Council, Roads and Transportation Service, 2 Spiersbridge Way, Spiersbridge Business Park, Thornliebank, G46 8NG

Cheques to be made payable to: East Renfrewshire Council, Roads and Transportation Service,

The charge is non-refundable unless the application is unsuccessful, in which case the cheque will be returned as soon as possible.

PLEASE NOTE THAT CASH OR CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS ARE NOT CURRENTLY ACCEPTED.

#### **Data Protection Act 2018**

The information you supply on this form will be used by East Renfrewshire Council to process your application. We will also use your information to verify your identity where required, contact you by post, email or telephone and to maintain our records. The council will use this information because we need to do so to perform a contract with you. If you do not provide us with the information we have asked for then we will not be able to provide this service to you. You can find out more about how we handle this information and your rights in respect of it by going to <http://www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/dataprotection>. If you do not have access to a computer and wish a paper copy please let us know by contacting us at [roads@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:roads@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk) or by telephone at 0141 577 3001.