

JAG (UK)

Introduction to Street Works for Local Authority Practitioners



→ What we do

An introduction

The Joint Authorities Group (JAG(UK)) works on behalf of local authorities to promote excellence in road network and traffic management right across the UK.

With the support of GeoPlace, the NSG, and other partners, JAG(UK) has put together two training courses to help new and experienced operators understand their role and implications of doing a good job.

The training course will give you expertise directly from the industry experts providing you with current and up-to-date information on best practice and legislative requirements on managing and efficient noticing or permitting system.

The training course will enable and support your forward strategic planning, leading to smarter network management.

Highway authorities have a legal duty to manage their road network to ensure the expeditious and safe movement of vehicular and pedestrian traffic. At the same time the utility companies have a right to place and maintain their apparatus within the highway.

The New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (NRSWA) requires authorities to coordinate their own works, and those of the utilities carried out on their streets. The Act also requires utilities to cooperate in that process.

The Traffic Management Act 2004 (TMA) imposes a network management duty on authorities to manage their networks to keep traffic moving. This duty includes the coordination of activities. It requires cooperation across the authority and with other affected authorities.

This course will examine the relevant aspects of the legislation and associated regulations, codes of practice and general guidance.

→ Why Us? Who should come?

Why us?

JAG(UK) is a membership organisation working on behalf of local authorities to promote excellence in road network and traffic management right across the UK. We have been working with authorities, central government and the utility sector for over 20 years.

The expertise and relationships we have developed allows us to impart our first-hand experience to help practitioners to get the most out of their process and schemes.

We are at the forefront of new innovations and ideas and can provide insight into the way that the industry is moving and improving.

We will provide practical examples of best practice and advise on the most effective ways of running a street works service.

Data is king. Utilising our relationship with GeoPlace and the National Street Gazetteer, we will provide relevant, pragmatic advice on how you should improve the data you hold and share, and also demonstrate how you can use data more efficiently.

Courses will be limited in size to 8 people per day and delegates will be provided with course notes and handouts illustrating particular issues.

Who should come?

The training is aimed at those who are involved with the 'day to day' aspects of NRSWA and associated Regulations and Codes of Practice in relation to openings in the highway. It will provide greater awareness of the requirements of NRSWA and the subsequent impact of the TMA, supporting your knowledge in sustaining and improving management of the highways network.

Although not necessary, familiarity with the Acts, Regulations and Codes of Practice and some awareness may aid discussion. Delegates are invited to bring with them any copies of guidance documents, as well as any individual scenarios they may wish to discuss.



↑ Course Topics

Coordinator Training

Legislation

- The New Roads and Street Works Act 1991
- The Traffic Management Act 2004
- The Street Works various regulations
- Codes of Practice

Enforcement

- Procedures
- Offences – system and process

Notices, permits and co-ordination

- Notice procedure
- Permits
- Code of Practice for the coordination of Street Works (Blue Book)
- Records
- Special situations

Inspector Training

Inspections

- The Code of practice for inspections (Pink Book)
- Types of Inspection
- Reports
- Notifications
- Inadequacies in signing lighting and guarding
- Financial arrangements

Enforcement

- Procedures
- Offences – Site offences and failures

Execution of Works

- Managing the network
- Signing, lighting and guarding (Red Book)
- Qualifications of supervisors and operatives
- Excavation and Reinstatement
- Specification for the Reinstatement of Openings in the Highway (SROH) (Yellow Book)
- Performance requirements

Outcomes

On completion of the course delegates will understand:

- the legal requirements of the New Roads and Street Works Act
- the legal requirements of the Traffic Management Act as they affect Street Works activities
- other relevant legal requirements
- the need for the co-ordination of works
- the need for the safe implementation of works
- the principles of the inspection system

Additionally, delegates will be aware of:

- the notice procedure
- the permit system
- the guidance given in Codes of Practice and other documents
- the principles of diversionary works
- powers of enforcement

↑ Trainers



David Capon is the JAG(UK) Manager and has worked extensively with the JAG(UK) community in delivering improved communications, management of the network and local knowledge and expertise. Most notably, Dave has played a central role in the delivering of the permit legislation, guidance and operational advice. He has made a significant contribution to the finalisation of government sponsored Codes of Practice, regulations and impact assessments.

Dave regularly engages with the DfT, devolved Governments, Network Rail, Highways England, statutory undertakers and local authorities to deliver continuous improvement to the community. He works hard to support members authorities by: attending regular national, regional and local meetings, providing an on-line library of existing legislation, regulations, procedures and guidance for authorities and their officers, acting as an online advisory service and providing prompt guidance on emerging issues and delivering a focused approach as part of the GeoPlace/Local Government Association family.



Ian David has worked in the Streetworks environment for just short of 30 years and during this time has been a focused and driven practitioner, during a period of major change and improvement within the industry.

Including some years of mainly being on-site and 'in the field', Ian has experience of dealing with a wide range of projects right through the spectrum, from minor to major high impact works and major events affecting the highway network. Ian's time in the industry has included a significant amount of work at a national level with JAG (UK) and within his authority on network management systems. His work at a national and local level has included comprehensive involvement in NSG data improvement and maintenance.

Course leaders' expertise

- Co-ordination and Network Management
- Reinstatement
- Safety at Street works
- Inspection
- Interpretation and application of Street Works Acts and Regulations
- Network Management Systems
- Street data maintenance and improvement
- Events Safety Advice

- Some years as a regional and then national CSS JAG and Welsh HAUC chair in Wales, working on street works strategy with practitioners and Welsh Government.
- Ensured that, following the introduction of the Traffic Management Act, the Street Works Section in his authority were effectively involved in Network Management processes for all works impacting on the highway network. This has related to both safety at street works and the requirement to minimise disruption on the highway network.
- Working with JAG (UK) for some years, representing Welsh highway authorities in developing new and revised national codes of practice and guidance.
- Representing Welsh Highway Authorities at HAUC (UK), in order to assist in providing practical advice in strategic discussions with national utility company representatives and the DfT.
- Working with authority streets representatives, Geoplace and its predecessors for several years in progressing the quality of street and associated data, for use in street works and other street and address based systems.
- Through involvement with significant sporting and recreational events affecting the highway, Ian has gained significant experience in events safety advice.

→ Further Information & Course Dates

The cost of the course is £295 per delegate for JAG(UK) members and £495 per delegate for non-members. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

Booking

For enquiries or booking please contact us
training@jaguk.org

Onsite or bespoke Courses

JAG(UK) can provide bespoke courses to authorities or groups of authorities directly. If you would like to discuss us providing an inhouse training course for your authority please contact **training@jaguk.org**

Dates

23 rd January	Coordinator	London
24 th January	Inspector	London
20 th February	Coordinator	West of England (TBC)
21 st February	Inspector	West of England (TBC)
16 th April	Coordinator	London
17 th April	Inspector	London
19 th June	Coordinator	North of England (TBC)
20 th June	Inspector	North of England (TBC)

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Further information

For more information, please visit:
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