



## GUIDELINES FOR THE PLACING OF NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH STREETSIGNS

1. Signs shall be of the type supplied by the Cambridgeshire Constabulary to Neighbourhood Watch Schemes. Crime Prevention Panels may service the supply of signs on behalf of the Constabulary.
2. Signs shall be erected by a Police Officer, or by a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, on behalf of a Police Officer.
3. Notification to both the Local Planning Authority and Highway Authority must be made. The attached form must be returned as soon as possible to the Community Contact Officer for your Sector.
4. Signs will only be erected around the periphery of the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme concerned. Signs will not be erected on a post displaying a traffic sign. The signs should be placed where possible on street lighting columns or on private property. Any sign should not obscure the number of any street light. Schemes should not erect new posts of their own to accommodate signs on the public highway.
5. No part of a sign on a public highway should be less than 2.2 metres above or less than 450 mm from the edge of a carriageway.
6. At the request of the Cambridgeshire Constabulary or any other Local Authority, the signs will be removed or re-sited. If the Scheme ceases to operate the sign shall be removed and returned to the Constabulary.
7. Signs will not be displayed on trunk roads.
8. To satisfy insurance requirements, the signs will remain the property of the Cambridgeshire Constabulary. Where the Crime Prevention Panel acting on behalf of the Constabulary provides them, the Panel is included on the Constabulary's insurance policy for this purpose.
9. To satisfy insurance requirements, Scheme Co-ordinators should make frequent checks of signs to ensure that the fittings are secure and in good condition. Co-ordinators should keep a record of the dates of such checks, any defects found and any action taken. Should an incident occur involving a sign, the Constabulary must be informed immediately.
10. Illumination of signs is not permitted.

There may be local additional requirements. Please consult your local Community Beat Manager or Community Contact Officer if in doubt.