



## North Yorkshire Police

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1. Only Watch Schemes approved by North Yorkshire Police may apply for street signs to be erected.
2. If signs are to be erected on public highways e.g. on street furniture and lighting, approval must now be obtained from the Highways Authority at North Yorkshire County Council.
3. Signs are of a standard design in a range of sizes and must not be altered in anyway. Approved signs are only available from North Yorkshire Police.
4. Members of the Watch Scheme will be responsible for the erection and maintenance of the signs.
5. Signs erected within the highway shall be erected as required in paragraph 6 below. Once approved they will be covered for Public Liability.
6. Signs must not:
  - exceed an area of 0.2 square metres (approximately 18" x 18")
  - be displayed in excess of 3.6 metres above ground level at their highest point
  - be attached to any road warning or restriction sign (e.g. speed, bend etc)
  - have the lowest point below 2.1m (6' 9") above ground level if erected adjacent to a footpath or any area used by pedestrians.
7. North Yorkshire Police and North Yorkshire Highways Authority accept no responsibility regarding the condition of signs. Should the approved signs be damaged, vandalised or become otherwise degraded, the removal or replacement is the responsibility of the Watch Scheme members.
8. If a Watch Scheme ceases to operate signs must be removed within 14 days, and the North Yorkshire County Surveyor and North Yorkshire Police notified accordingly.