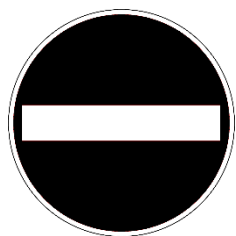


Flooded Roads



This easy read document contains guidance, help and advice about flooded roads.

Motorists



Do not travel along roads that have been closed



Take it easy when driving through standing water to avoid the risk of aquaplaning



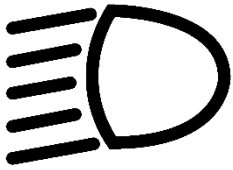
Only drive through water if you know that it's not too deep



Allow oncoming traffic to pass first and test your brakes as soon as possible after leaving the water



If driving through deep water take it slowly but steadily, using a low gear, to avoid creating waves or causing your car engine to take in water



Use headlights when visibility is seriously reduced



Double the distance between your car and the car in front of you, as stopping distances are increased by wet roads



Do not attempt to drive through fast moving water- your car could be easily swept away



Remember that driving fast through standing water is inconsiderate and can cause water to be thrown onto pavements, soaking pedestrians or cyclists.



You could face a hefty fine if the police believe you were driving without reasonable consideration for other road users

Pedestrians



In the event of flooding, residents should not enter flood water in case of hidden hazards such as lifted manhole covers

Report a flood



You can use our [online form to tell us about a flooded road or drainage problem.](#)

Email updates



When flooding occurs we issue flood bulletins by email. You can [register to receive our “emailme” bulletins.](#)



The emails provide advice and information on how to prepare and how we're responding and the latest situation in Nottinghamshire.

Links in this document

Report a flooding or drainage problem

nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/roads/report-a-flooding-or-drainage-problem

Register for “emailme” flood bulletins

nottinghamshire.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/news-and-media/emailme

For plain English web page version of this information, go to:

[Flooded roads \(Nottinghamshire County Council\)](https://nottinghamshire.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/flooding-help-and-advice/flooded-roads)

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