

This checklist should be used for offences committed under the following sections of the Highways Act 1980				
Detailed procedure can be found in the Good Practice Guide – Section 9				
• s134 – Ploughing, etc of footpath or bridleway				
• s137A – Interference by crops				
• s137 – Penalty for wilful obstruction				
Parish		FP / BR / RUPP / BOAT	Path	
		s.134	s.137A	s.137
1	Path is on the Definitive Map (DM)	y / n	y / n	y / n
2	DM route is also the usage route	y / n	y / n	y / n
3	There was no other path indicated on the ground or otherwise between the two points on the DM route whether or not on the DM	y / n	y / n	y / n
4	Photos of any other usage route were taken.	y / n	y / n	y / n
5	The DM route is signposted correctly	y / n	y / n	y / n
6	The width is noted in the DM statement	y / n	y / n	y / n
7	The defendant is the occupier	y / n	y / n	y / n
8	The defendant is also the owner	y / n	y / n	y / n
9	Interference by a crop other than grass		y / n	
10	The route has been ploughed	y / n		
11	The surface of the route has otherwise been disturbed	y / n		
12	The disturbance to the surface is not an excavation or engineering project	y / n		
13	The defendant is known to have created an obstruction			y / n
14	The defendant is known to have maintained an obstruction			y / n
15	The obstruction is temporary			y / n

16	The period over which the path has been obstructed has been noted			y / n
17	The position of the obstruction in relation to the width of the highway has been noted			y / n
18	The presumed purpose of the obstruction has been noted.			y / n
19	Actual obstruction of an individual has been noted			y / n
20	Photos of the obstruction taken			y / n
21	The second date of noting disturbance is 14 days after the first inspection	y / n	y / n	
22	Was an extension to the period granted in writing?	y / n		
23	Was an extension to the period granted verbally?	y / n		
24	Was verbal warning given to the occupier?	y / n	y / n	
25	Any verbal warning was preceded by a PACE warning	y / n	y / n	
26	A written warning was given to the occupier on this occasion	y / n	y / n	
27	Subsequent communication has taken place with the occupier	y / n	y / n	
28	The surface was not made good so as to be reasonably convenient for the exercise of rights of way	y / n	y / n	
29	The height of the crop was noted	y / n	y / n	
30	The density of the crop was noted	y / n	y / n	
31	There was no crop but the maximum depth of furrow was noted	y / n		

(i)	There was no crop but the minimum depth of furrow was noted	y / n		
(ii)	The surface was not reasonably convenient for its width (as recorded in the statement)	y / n		
(iii)	The surface was not reasonably convenient for its minimum width	y / n		
(iv)	The line of the path or way on the ground was not indicated so that it was apparent to the public using it.	y / n	y / n	
(v)	Was the path indicated at all on the ground?	y / n	y / n	
(vi)	Was the path indicated to its width (as in the Definitive Statement) on the ground?	y / n	y / n	
32	Was the path indicated to its minimum width on the ground?	y / n	y / n	
(i)	Was the path indicated such that it was apparent on the ground that it was a path (not just a line(s) on the ground)	y / n	y / n	
(ii)	The path was not apparent by any other means e.g. signpost	y / n	y / n	
(iii)	Part of the crop reduced the highway less than the minimum width by:			
(iv)	Growing on the highway		y / n	
(v)	Extending over the highway		y / n	