

SOUTH HOLLAND INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

NOTICE OF ENTRY TO MAINTAIN HIGH PRIORITY INFRASTRUCTURE

Your attention is drawn to the following terms and conditions that apply to this notice:

1. Continued cropping of the area(s) shown in the Notice of Entry is done entirely at your own risk: no liability is accepted by the Board for any crop loss and damage caused to a crop or any adjacent crop.
2. The Board shall accept no liability for any losses which may arise as a result of carrying out its statutory functions, with regard to Environmental Stewardship Schemes, Countryside Stewardship Schemes or any other such schemes administered by DEFRA, the RPA or any other body of competent jurisdiction.
3. If any person intentionally obstructs or prevents the Board from gaining entry to maintain the drainage infrastructure shown in the Notice, they shall be guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to a fine of up to £2,500.
4. Due to the risk of spreading disease, notice is hereby given that planting of crops, including but not limited to potatoes, onions, bulbs, and sugar beet after today within the required widths stated overleaf, shall be taken by the Board as being an intentional obstruction. If such crops continue to be planted within the required width of any watercourse shown overleaf, after having now received adequate Notice of Entry from the Board, you may be fined up to £2,500 by the Court for each field that operatives are subsequently compelled to work around.

Notice is hereby given that application of pesticide products within the notified access width of any watercourse shown in the Notice after today shall also be taken by the Board as being an intentional obstruction, due to the health risk posed to Board operatives and contractors.

5. The Board shall accept no liability for the maintenance of the access strip area(s) shown in the Notice.
6. No compensation will be paid if at any time you intentionally obstruct or otherwise prevent the Board from gaining entry to maintain any watercourse shown in the Notice. If you intentionally obstruct or otherwise prevent the Board from gaining entry to maintain any watercourse shown in the Notice after receiving compensation from the Board, you shall be liable to repay the compensation in full.
7. Where the notified access buffer zones have been reduced to less than 1-metre from a channel brink, the cost of repairing any slips that have been caused by spray-drift or cultivation, as determined absolutely by the Board, will be recharged to you. Furthermore, you will not receive any compensation on these areas or other such areas where, in the Board's absolute opinion, vegetation growing on the batters has been killed off due to spraying.
8. As the current registered occupier, you must inform us of any changes or erroneous additions or omissions herein. Furthermore, if you sell or give up any of the area(s) shown in the Notice part way through the notice period, you must advise the new occupier(s) of the Board's intention to gain access to undertake maintenance works and provide them with a copy of this Notice of Entry. You should also advise the Board in writing at an early date of any such change(s) in occupation. If you fail to do this and crops are subsequently planted by the new occupier(s) within the required widths stated in the Notice, you will have to repay any compensation that has been previously paid to you and will be liable for all losses incurred by the new occupier(s) as a result.
9. It is the registered occupier of the access strip area(s) stated in the Notice, as at the first day of the notice period who will receive all of the compensation. No apportioning of compensation for part years shall be calculated or applied by the Board.

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