

Commercial Company Covenant

(A Company Voluntary Code of Conformity for Dorset)

As a Commercial company that operates vehicles in Dorset's Communities we are aware that due to the weight and size of our vehicles when transiting villages they can cause significant levels of ...

- noise
- vibration
- pollution
- risk to life

These factors can be exacerbated if inappropriate, or excessive speeds are undertaken, or if incorrect, unsuitable or environmentally insensitive routes are chosen.

In an attempt to mitigate these and other problems we will seek to...

- co-operate with Community Roadwatch, Speedwatch and parish councils to identify 'hot spots' and address, as far as is possible, community concerns
- adhere to agreed HCV routes (as appropriate to our vehicles)
- observe weight limit restrictions (as appropriate) on routes except where we have a legitimate reason for their use to deliver or collect goods and services
- avoid inappropriate/narrow routes/roads with our larger vehicles whether or not it is limited by a TRO and especially at the busier times of the day.
- ensure that statutory speed limits are the maximum at which our vehicles travel
- observe self-imposed lower speed limits where this is desirable to avoid excessive noise, pollution and vibration for dwellings close to the road
- address any report of drivers on the phone, eating, drinking, reading, smoking whilst driving and supposedly in control of our vehicle
- take positive action to educate any drivers recorded as having infringed our commitments in order to seek that such infringements are not repeated.

To ensure that operators and the communities - through which our vehicles operate - are confident that these undertakings are being met we will,

- support groups – like Community Roadwatch - that will independently monitor speeds and routes taken, without prior warning to the operators.
- subject the monitors to audit by us to ensure ethical, fair and accurate processes and procedures are being employed.

Additionally, I acknowledge that data collected could be supplied to other operating companies, parish, town, and other public bodies (as appropriate) and may be used for legal non-opinionated reporting by CRW on its website.

Signed _____ Date _____

On behalf of (Company/Position) _____