



Maintenance Schedule

Introduction

At Hopkins Cattle Grids Ltd we manufacture and design our products to have little to no maintenance during their lifetime but to maintain their performance and prolong their life, inspections need to be routinely carried out. Whilst carrying out these inspections it is important to record the conditions of the fixings and parts to replace where necessary. Should you require new fixings there's no need to worry, we have plenty of stock at our warehouse that we can send out for next-day delivery. Please use the contact methods below for any further advice.

General Advice

Depending on location it is completely normal for debris/sediment to build up in the pit of your cattle grid but this must not reach a level where it can affect the performance of your grid. To adhere to BS4008:2006 you have to maintain a minimum pit depth of 250mm, our grids exceed this at 355mm but, should your grid fill to leave a depth below this figure it will need to be cleaned out as soon as possible. This has been made easy by our Quick-fit design and video instructions can be found on our FAQ page.

Private Track Grids

These grids are not to be installed on a public highway and as such do not require to be inspected per any highway codes but in the interest of health and safety it is paramount that these grids are maintained and inspected as per our guidance.

Depending on use we recommend an inspection of the grid every 6-12 months, this would be both on foot (please take care when navigating the grid, especially in winter conditions) and a driven inspection for any moving parts and/or deterioration. If any defects are found please contact us for replacements as soon as possible. Fixings should be checked for tightness and retorqued as required. We recommend logging all data every visit so that you can re-check specifics on the next inspection.

Highway Grids

Grids installed on a public highway should be maintained and inspected per the Highway Act 1980.

Once the grid has been installed we would recommend that the grid has an inspection 24 hours following initial use to check and tighten fixings where necessary. Again, after 7 days revisit to ensure fixings have remained tight. We use specifically designed locking washers partnered with nylon nuts to help reduce the risk of fixings becoming loose. Any time after this period, maintenance and inspection should be per the above Highway Act.

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