

**ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES  
HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 SECTION 139  
(ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984: SECTION 65)  
SKIP PERMIT - CONDITIONS**

1. The Cambridgeshire County Council in exercise of their powers under Section 139 of the Highways Act 1980 (and under Section 65 of the Road Traffic Regulations Act, 1984) hereby grant permission to the "**COMPANY**" overleaf to deposit or cause to be deposited builder's skips singly on the carriageway outside the "**LOCATION**" between the "**DATES**" subject to the conditions contained in the following paragraphs of this permission and hereby authorise and require the above to place on the highway such traffic signs as may be necessary to comply with the conditions of this permission, described overleaf, if any.
2. Each licence will cover a maximum of 14 days. There is a charge per skip deposited, £58.30 for each Licence. If a skip is to remain on site beyond the period of the licence, a new licence must be applied for. Please advise the Council office if the new licence is for the same skip/location.
3. Each skip shall be deposited on the carriageway at the above location and shall be positioned so that its longer sides are parallel to the edge of the carriageway and as near to the edge as reasonably practicable, and so that it does not impede the surface water drainage of the highway nor obstruct access to any manhole or the apparatus of any statutory undertaker of the Cambridgeshire County Council.
4. Where more than one skip is on the highway at any one time, the skips shall be positioned as closely as possible to each other, but not so as to obstruct access to any premises unless the consent of the occupier of those premises has been obtained.
5. Each skip shall not exceed 5 metres in length by 2 metres in width.
6. Each skip or group of skips shall while on the highway be marked guarded and lit in accordance with the following requirements:-
7. The ends of the skip (that is to say, the sides of the skip facing the traffic in both directions when the skip is positioned as mentioned in condition 2 above) shall be painted yellow and there shall be attached below and right across, the top edge of each end so as to be visible to traffic a strip of material the composition of which complies with the Builder's Skips (Markings) Regulations 1984 in having broad red fluorescent and yellow reflecting diagonal stripes. The painting and the strip of material shall at all times be kept clean and efficient and clearly visible for a reasonable distance to persons using the highway on which the skip is placed.
8. Each skip shall be guarded by at least 3 traffic cones placed on the carriageway in an oblique line on the approach side of the skip. Where 2 or more skips are deposited in a row, so that the distance between adjacent skips does not exceed 2 metres, the row shall be guarded as if it were one skip.
9. At night (that is to say, between half an hour after sunset and half an hour before sunrise) a yellow lamp shall be placed against or attached to each corner of the skip or the end corners of the row of skips where two or more skips are deposited in a row and the distance between adjacent skips does not exceed 2 metres, and shall also be placed between each cone and the next. Each lamp shall have an illuminative power of not less than 1 candela and shall remain lit throughout the night.
10. No skip, when standing on the highway, shall contain any inflammable, explosive, noxious or dangerous material or any material which is likely to putrefy or which otherwise is, or is likely to become, a nuisance to users of the highway.
11. No skip shall be used in such a way that any of its contents fall on to the highway, or that there is an escape of dust from the contents of the skip when standing on the highway.
12. Each skip shall be removed for emptying as soon as practicable and in any case not later than two working days after it has been filled.
13. No skip shall remain on the highway pursuant to this permission after the period of this permission specified in paragraph 1 above has expired.
14. All materials placed in each skip shall be properly disposed of and the highway where the skip or skips have been deposited shall be left in a clean and tidy condition on the expiration of this permission.

**Take Note that:-**

- (a) Section 139(4) of the Highways Act 1980 required the owner of a builder's skip which has been deposited on the highway to secure that the skip is properly lighted during the hours of darkness, that it is clearly and indelibly marked with the owner's name and with his/her telephone number or address, that the skip is removed as soon as practicable after it has been filled and that each of the conditions of the highway authority's permission is complied with. A conviction of an offence under the sub section renders the owner liable to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the Standard Scale.
- (b) Section 139(10) of the Highways Act 1980 provides that nothing in the section shall be taken as authorising the creation of a nuisance or of a danger to users of a highway or as imposing on a highway authority by whom permission has been granted under the section any liability for any injury, damage or loss resulting from the presence on a highway of the skip to which the permission relates.
- (c) Section 140 of the Highways Act 1980 empowers the highway authority or a police officer to require the removal or repositioning or to remove or reposition a builder's skip deposited on the highway, even though it was deposited in accordance with the highway authority's permission, to recover from the owner the cost of such removal or repositioning, and to dispose of a skip which is not collected by its owner. Failure to comply with a request to remove or reposition a skip under the section may result in a fine not exceeding level 3 on the Standard Scale.
- (d) Section 139(11) of the Highways Act 1980 defines a 'builder's skip' as a container designed to be carried on a road vehicle and to be placed on a highway or other land for the storage of builder's materials, or for the removal and disposal of builder's rubble, waste, household and other rubbish or earth. It also defines the 'owner' in relation to a builder's skip which is the subject of a hiring agreement, being an agreement for a hiring of not less than one month, a hire purchase agreement, as the person in possession of the skip under that agreement.