



## GRIDS IN THE ROAD RESERVE

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## **Objective**

It is the Government's long term aim that, as far as practical, grids be eliminated from public roads and the reserve fenced. No new grids are to be approved on national highways, and only on rural arterial roads in exceptional circumstances. The Government will not accept claims for retrospective contributions for the installation of grids or fencing.

This policy distinguishes between grids on lease boundaries and grids on internal boundaries. The guidelines for the implementation of this policy where fencing is not a practical option are as follows:

## **Guidelines**

Grid relocated or upgraded as part of a Government funded road project

The relocation or upgrading costs involved with an existing grid shall be totally borne by the Government. The construction of the grid will be undertaken as part of the roadworks contract. Maintenance costs for multi user roads shall be borne by the Government.

Grid installed at the initiative of the lessee / owner along a cadastral boundary on a multi user road, other than a national highway or rural arterial road

The supply and installation costs of grids shall be borne in equal parts by each of the affected landholders and the Government subject to funding being allocated. Maintenance costs for multi-user roads shall be borne by the Government.

Grid installed on the initiative of the lessee / owner along an internal boundary on a multi user road

Installation costs shall be borne by the lessee / owner. Maintenance costs shall be borne by the Government.

Grid installed at the initiative of the lessee / owner along a cadastral boundary or internal boundary on a single user road

Installation and maintenance costs shall be borne by the lessee / owner. The lessee / owner may be permitted, upon Government approval, to erect an unlocked gate in lieu of a grid for the purpose of stock control across a single user access road. A gate shall not be erected on a multi user road.

## **Standards**

All grids erected on public roads are to conform to the current departmental standards, [CS-1313-2](#), [CS-1314-2](#) and [CS-1315-2](#). Generally all grids are to be built with approach slabs. Only in exceptional circumstances may approach slabs be omitted. No works are to be undertaken in the road reserve without prior approval from the Department of Transport.