"On Your Marks 2003"

The 6th Annual Road Safety Markings Association Conference Thursday 13th November 2003 Handover International Hotel, Daventry

This conference was the major pre-publication briefing for the new maintenance standard for road markings TD 26, scheduled for publication by the Highways Agency in 2004.

The conference provided a full briefing from those involved in the development of TD 26, giving an insight into what will be the best practice standard for monitoring and maintaining road markings. Essential for all those involved with the specification and provision of road markings from the Highways Agency representatives, managing agents, term maintenance contractors, DBFOs, MACs and local authorities through to white liners.

TD 26 will radically alter the approach to road marking monitoring and maintenance, to assist in improving and sustaining road safety.

Should you require further information or copies of the presentations from the conference, please send your request via our contact page.

The programme for 2003 Conference follows.

PROGRAMME

Introduction and Welcome

Jack Coupe, Chairman of RSMA
A brief outline of the day's events

Keynote Address

Maintenance and Safety Linked priorities for the Highways Agency

Ginny Clarke, Director Safety, Standards & Research at the Highways Agency

Ginny Clarke presents the keynote address identifying the role and aims of the HA in respect to the link between safety and maintenance, placing into context the importance of TD26 for all those involved with the specification, maintenance and performance of road markings.

The new TD26 Bringing road marking maintenance into the performance age

Brian Barton, Group Manager, Safety Management Group, Highway Agency

Brian Barton introduces the new TD 26 and outlines the changes and requirements that its publication will entail. This session will provide an outline of what every responsible authority will need to know.

Specialist Joint Briefings by Highways Agency and RSMA experts

Looking in more detail at the requirements of the new TD26, discussing the changes and advising on their impact. (These briefings will be to smaller delegate groups to provide opportunity for more informal discussion)

Specialist Presentations from Contractor, Agent and Local Authority

Perspectives on effective monitoring and maintenance of road markings and opportunity to share experience and best practice. (These presentations will be to smaller delegate groups to provide opportunity for more informal discussion)

Up to the Mark 2003? The Results of the RSMA 2003 Ecodyn Survey

George A. Lee, RSMA National Director will report on the findings of the latest RSMA condition survey of UK road markings and also report back on the co operative working that has taken place between RSMA and the Highways Agency since the publication of the 2002 report.

Conclusions and Round-up

A brief session to end the seminar providing audience and contributors to ask

questions and express views on the issues discussed throughout the day.