

Appendix 2 Highway Code

Government guidance¹ on the Highway Code states:

“It is important that all road users are aware of the Code and are considerate towards each other. This applies to pedestrians as much as to drivers and riders.”; “Many of the rules in the Code are legal requirements, and if you disobey these rules you are committing a criminal offence.”; “Although failure to comply with the other rules of the Code will not, in itself, cause a person to be prosecuted, The Highway Code may be used in evidence in any court proceedings under the Traffic Acts. This includes rules which use advisory wording such as ‘should/should not’ or ‘**do/do not**’.”; “Knowing and applying the rules contained in The Highway Code could significantly reduce road casualties. Cutting the number of deaths and injuries that occur on our roads every day is a responsibility we all share. The Highway Code can help us discharge that responsibility.”

Rule 56² of The Highway Code states:

“**Dogs. Do not** let a dog out on the road on its own. Keep it on a short lead when walking on the pavement, road or path shared with cyclists or horse riders.”

¹ <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-highway-code/introduction>

² <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-highway-code/rules-about-animals-47-to-58>