

Minimum widths of private ways

(Code of Practice for Land Development)

Residential private ways

Serving 1-4 household units

- 2.7m for the carriageway.
- No footpath.
- 3.2m boundary to boundary.

Where there is more than one household unit using a private way and where the private way is more than 50m long, a passing bay shall be provided at least once in every 50m length. These passing bays shall be positioned within these lengths to achieve a clear line of sight from the passing bay to the start and end of the private way or to the next passing bay. The width of the carriageway at a passing bay shall be not less than 5.5m for a minimum length of 5m with a further minimum 4m taper at each end.

Serving 5-20 household units

- 5.5m carriageway for the first 12m from the road then a minimum of 3m thereafter.
- 1m footpath throughout.
- 7m boundary to boundary for the first 12m and 4.5m thereafter. The widening for the first 12m is for passing so as to minimise queuing on the road.

Where the private way is more than 50m long, a passing bay shall be provided at least once in every 50m length. These passing bays shall be positioned within these lengths to achieve a clear line of sight from the passing bay to the start and end of the private way or to the next passing bay. The width of the carriageway at a passing bay shall be not less than 5.5m for a minimum length of 5m with a further minimum 4m taper at each end.

Non-Residential household units

Serving a single unit where the estimated number of trips per day does not exceed 100:

- 3.5m for carriageway.
- No footpath.
- 4m boundary to boundary.

Serving more than one unit, or where the estimated number of trips per day exceeds 100:

- 5.5m for carriageway.
- 1m footpath.
- 7m boundary to boundary.

Where the private way is more than 50m long, a passing bay shall be provided at least once in every 50m length. These passing bays shall be positioned within these lengths to achieve a clear line of sight from the passing bay to the start and end of the private way or to the next passing bay. The width of the carriageway at a passing bay shall be not less than 6m for a minimum length of 6m with a further minimum 4m taper at each end.

Pedestrian accessways

- The minimum boundary to boundary width shall be 1.8m.
- The minimum surface width shall be 1.3m.