

Quick Ploughing and Cropping Guide

	Footpath	Bridleway	Byway (BOAT)	Restricted Byway
Cross Field Paths				
Can I plough a cross field path ?	Yes	Yes	No	No
What should I do after I have ploughed a cross field path ?	Within 14 days, restore the path so it has a level and even surface, and, if it is necessary, mark out the line of the path on the ground			
How wide should a cross field path be ?	1m minimum	2m minimum	3m minimum	3m minimum
Field edge/ Headland Paths				
Can I plough a field edge path ?	No	No	No	No
What should I do to a hedge next to a field edge path ?	Please ensure the hedge and any overhanging vegetation is cut back so the path is easy to use and easy to follow. Don't forget to clear high enough along bridleways and byways for horse riders.			
How wide should a field edge path be ?	1.5m minimum	3m minimum	3m minimum	3m minimum
Crops				
What should I do if crops have started to grow on or over a path that crosses a field ?	Please do not allow crops (other than grass) to grow or overhang a public right of way. If crops do grow along or overhang a path, they should be cut back or sprayed off so the public right of way is apparent on the ground and easy to follow			