What is the Road Reserve (Corridor)?

The road reserve is the area of land managed by Council between the road and property boundaries. It includes footpaths, gutters, berms/verges, grass areas and roads themselves.





Use this QR code to find helpful information when planning to work in the road corridor and training resources for using myWorksites.





Traffic Management & You:

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Corridor Access Requests:

Before undertaking any work in the road corridor, you must make a Corridor Access Request (CAR) and receive a Works Access Permit from Council. This can be done through the myWorksites website – www.myworksites.co.nz

Fees charged are to cover the processing of the request, checking and authorising the Traffic Management Plans, issuing the Works Access Permit, assurance checks, and administering the sign off and maintenance period for any reinstatements.

Want more information?

You can contact the Timaru District Council Road Corridor team for more information.

Telephone: 03 687 7200

Email: car@timdc.govt.nz **Website:** www.timaru.govt.nz





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Why does the Timaru District Council (TDC) need to be involved when you are working in or near the road corridor?

Timaru District Council is responsible for managing all roads within the district, with the exception of state highways. Our role includes:

- Protecting the safety of both the public and workers on or near any road that is within our road network
- Approving road closures, the use of traffic control devices (e.g., cones, signs), and/or temporary speed limits on our roads
- Ensuring that Traffic Management Plans (TMPs) are effectively maintained, monitored, and functioning properly

How is the road reserve kept safe in the Timaru District?

Road reserve safety is governed by a variety of guidelines, legislation, and local bylaws, by which the RCA must comply to keep your community safe. These requirements are in place to ensure the safety, wellbeing, and enjoyment of the public and residents of our District – that's you!

The Timaru District Council Road Corridor Team is responsible for educating, reviewing, approving, and auditing works within the Road Corridor. Our goal is to ensure a safe working environment for both workers and the public.

How does this affect the work I do?

If your work disrupts the normal operation of the road or footpath, you will need to seek approval.

Any work within the Road Corridor requires a Corridor Access Request (CAR).

You must ensure you use an approved TMP and comply with all TMP conditions. This includes having a qualified professional responsible for the installation and monitoring of the site.

Non – Excavation Corridor Access Request (NECAR)

A NECAR permit is required for the following activities (this is not an exhaustive list):

- Painting a fence
- Landscaping
- Operating or parking machinery such as cranes, cherry pickers, and water blasters on the footpath or road
- Digging inside a private property (close to the road reserve)
- Erecting scaffolding where work is actively in the road reserve (footpath) for example if a truck is parked on the road and carrying materials through

Corridor Access Request (CAR)

A CAR permit is required for the following activities (this is not an exhaustive list):

- Connecting to council services (water, power etc)
- Modifying vehicle access ways
- · Work that involves excavation

You cannot:

You CANNOT block footpaths



- You CANNOT place tools, ladders, or equipment on the footpath berm in a manner that obstructs pedestrian or vehicle access, for any length of time
- You CANNOT install any traffic management devices in the road corridor unless you have an approved traffic management plan (TMP) and are suitably qualified to do so



