

ULTRA ACCESS Construction Site Colours

What colour-codes for different signs (and other things) mean

Construction sites in the UK have a standard colour code system in place, that's based on specific regs set by the **Health and Safety (Safety Signs and Signals) Regulations 1996**, which mandates specific colours of the various signs used to help make them universally recognisable in the event of an incident, accident or site evacuation.

There are **4 main recognised colours** used:

GREEN: used to highlight Safe Zones, Exit Routes and those with First Aid Equipment, Muster Points, etc



BLUE: used to highlight Mandatory PPE, Required Actions to be taken, and certain behaviours when in an area, etc



AMBER / YELLOW: used to highlight Hazards Substances, or Dangerous Zones - along with general Warning Signs / Symbols, etc



RED: used to highlight DO NOT Signs, No-Go Areas, Prohibited Actions and Locations - but also anything usually to do with Fire Equipment, etc



There are also various shapes used, mainly to make them stand out from other types of signage, with (generally):

Triangles being for Warning - Circles indicate Mandatory Blue or Prohibitions Red and with other shapes like **Squares, Diamonds, Hexagonal's or Rectangles helping to deliver general information** or indicate safe conditions, etc - although this latter series of shapes is not always the case, and would be sometimes depending on where you are working.

Its always best to do your own research, remember what these various signs and symbols mean, **ESPECIALLY** - Amber / Yellow ones, as these indicate hazards that could potentially have a serious "risk to life" and maybe fatal consequences if not followed.

Ultimately, please pay attention to these signs, they could save your life in the future...