

Reversing Policy For Our Vehicles & Plant

- Before driving on site, consider whether it will be possible to reverse out again. To ascertain this when there is doubt, have a walk into the site first to survey the situation.
- Whenever accompanied by a Drivers Mate, the Driver should make use of the extra pair of eyes, and ask the mate to get out of the vehicle, and assist in reversing back. High viz trousers and top should be worn (as is standard uniform) it is best to remove gloves when directing traffic and attending to reversing vehicles to make the hand signals given both to the Driver and the Public easier to read. Do not give illegal instructions to traffic such as: "*drive up that footpath mate*" if someone should get knocked down you could be held liable.
- When reversing in to site do so only when the traffic has stopped and Pedestrians are safe.
- The Driver should observe the Banksman's instructions to stop, but the driver only follow instructions by others to move to move at his own discretion.
- Some forward planning is helpful, plan your route into site in order, possibly, to avoid any un-necessary reversing.
- When sent off to do a task the Driver may ask for permission to take a Drivers Mate along, this will be at the discretion of the Foreman subject to Staff availability. The person in charge shall not withhold his consent un-reasonably.
- The golden rule is communication, be sure everybody understands what is going on, and don't be embarrassed to ask for help, it merely demonstrates a sensible attitude to driving.

