

Scheduled monuments

The aim of these rules is to help preserve scheduled monuments because they are important landscape features.

A. You must not

1. carry out any of the following works without the written consent of English Heritage:
 - those resulting in the demolition or destruction of, or damage to, a scheduled monument;
 - those for the purpose of the removal or repair of a scheduled monument (or any part of one);
 - those for the purpose of making alterations or additions to a scheduled monument (or part of one);
 - any flooding or tipping operations on land in, on or under which there is a scheduled monument.

You will not have broken these rules if any of the points below apply:

- you took all reasonable precautions, and exercised all due diligence, to prevent any damage to the monument (applies to first bullet point, above);
- you did not know, and you had no reason to believe, that the monument was in an area affected by the works, or that the monument was scheduled (applies to first and third bullet points, above);
- the works were urgently necessary in the interests of health or safety and you gave written notice to English Heritage of the need for the works as soon as reasonably possible.

B. You must

1. comply with the conditions attached to any consent you have received from English Heritage.



Further advice and guidance

You can get information on the location of scheduled monuments from the Historic Environment Record held by your local authority (Local Government Archaeological Officers), the English Heritage website at www.english-heritage.org.uk or the Multi-Agency Geographic Information for the Countryside (MAGIC) website at www.magic.gov.uk.

Guidance for Cross Compliance in England: Management of Habitats and Landscape Features (rpa176) is available on our website at rpa.defra.gov.uk/crosscompliance/farmguidance.

English Heritage: 01793 414 600

The Association of Local Government Archaeological Officers: 01975 564 071