

## ANNEX 5

### SALT MIX OPTIONS WHEN SUPPLY IS RESTRICTED

During the severe weather period restrictions were placed on the use of salt in order to conserve stocks nationally. The following mixtures were used on the primary gritting routes in York:

1 Dec – 6 Jan	all routes 100% salt
7 Jan – 31 Jan	all routes 3:1 mix salt:sand
1 Feb – 28 Feb	routes 1,2,3,4,9* 1:1 mix salt:sand
	routes 5,6,7,8,10** 3:1 mix salt:sand

\*generally the old York City areas

\*\*generally the doughnut areas and roads which were trunk roads before 2003

For future years it is proposed to define levels of remaining salt stocks at which the mixes shown above will be introduced. These intervention levels will be included in the policy.

When stock levels drop to:

- 1000t, all roads treated with 3:1 mix (salt:grit sand)
- 500t, city centre routes (1,2,3,4,9) treated with 1:1 mix, remaining higher speed routes to be treated with 3:1 mix
- 250t, all routes treated with 1:1 mix.

All these options will be ratified by the WMG dependent on prevailing conditions and weather forecasts.