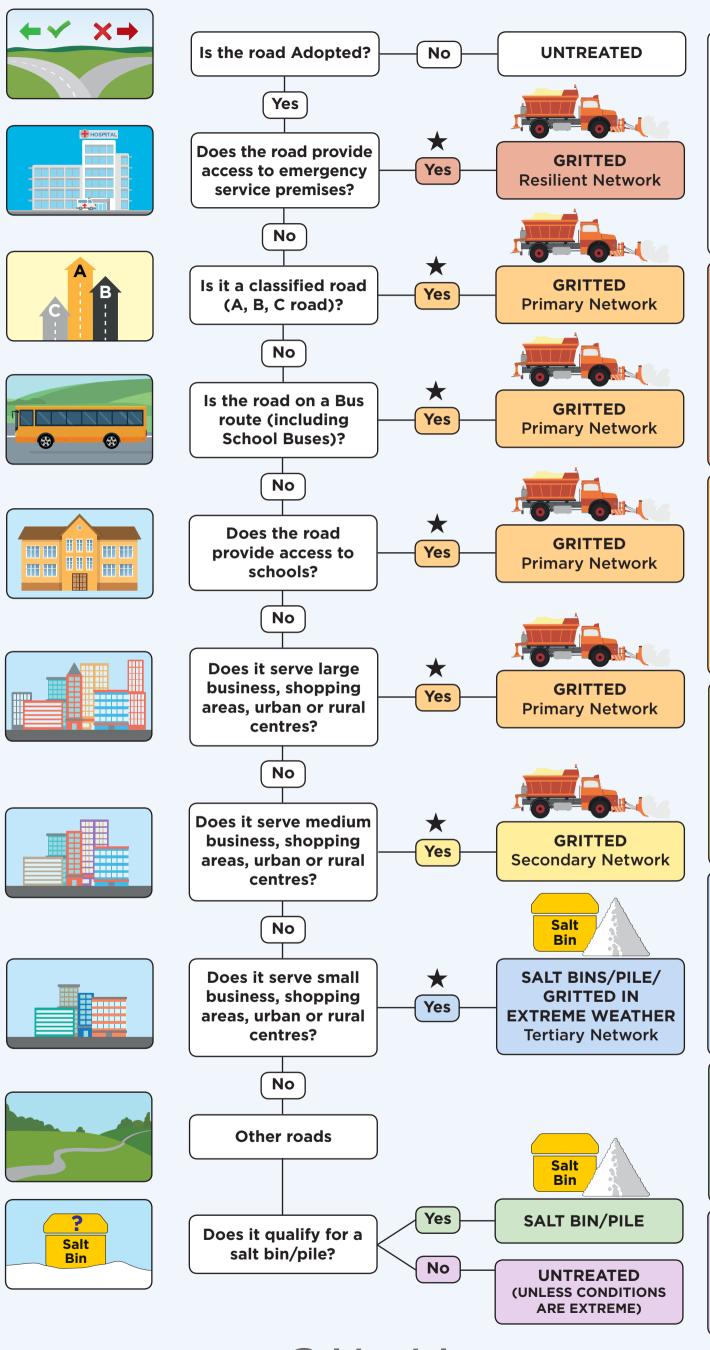
Gritting Decision Policy Chart





Assistance will be provided where reasonably practicable to emergency services

Roads with less than 3.5 metre clear width (including parked cars), or cul-de-sacs with no adequate HGV turning, will be given a Category 5 status

Some roads may appear on routes of a higher category due to the need to route vehicles efficiently.

Where houses have access both from the front and back only the front road will be assessed, the back road will be category 6.

Category 1 - The Resilient Network

The West Yorkshire Key Route Network* roads with the addition of access to emergency services premises, hospitals with A&E and access to delivery points for major supermarkets.

Gritting and snow clearing operations up to 24hrs a day when appropriate.

* West Yorkshire Key Route Network roads have a 'strategic' function such as connecting the key towns and cities in the county or linking to the motorway network

Category 2 - The Primary Network

All Category 1 roads, A, B and C roads, roads with bus routes, access to transport interchanges, roads serving schools, link roads serving large business areas, shopping areas, urban or rural centres and roads of the Calderdale resilient highway network.

Gritting and snow clearing operation up to 24hrs a day when appropriate. All Category 2 roads will be assigned a priority rating indicated by colours; green, amber and red to be used in severe weather only (green being the highest priority).

Category 3 - The Secondary Network

Roads where doctors surgeries/medical centres and promoted council facilities have their access, link roads serving medium business areas, shopping areas, urban or rural centres. Extraordinary local factors will also be considered

This network will be treated if roads are forecasted to remain below zero degrees beyond 7am but only after Category 1 to Category 2 roads have been treated.

Category 4 - The Tertiary Network

Link roads serving small business areas, small shopping areas, urban or rural centres. These roads will have strategically placed salt bins in urban areas and salt piles in rural areas and will comply with the salt bin and pile criteria.

This network will be treated after continuous icy or snowy weather lasting more than three days and a forecast of a further three days, but only after Category 1 to Category 3 roads have been treated (only in daylight).

Category 5 - Salt Bins/Salt Piles

These roads will have met the criteria for salt bins in urban areas and salt piles in rural areas. If roads are impassable due to snow they will be cleared where reasonably practicable but only after Category 1 to Category 4 roads have been treated (only in daylight) and a further three days of sub-zero temperatures are forecast.

Category 6 - Non Treatment Roads

Roads which do not qualify for a salt bin or pile. If roads are impassable due to snow they will be cleared where reasonably practicable but only after Category 1 to Category 5 roads have been treated (only in daylight) and a further three days of sub-zero temperatures are forecast.

