SignPlot knows its plates

Newly released version 3.25 helps you select correct sign and plate sizes. And it provides the permitted wording, even in Wales. It also adds many other enhancements to keep your interest whilst we are waiting for the new TSRGD.

Warning and regulatory signs made easy...
The biggest improvement is intelligent building of warning and regulatory signs – SignPlot sorts out the permitted sizes and the options for distance and other text if a plate is required under the sign. When you select a sign diagram, SignPlot displays only the heights permitted for that particular sign. If a plate is compulsory, the most common option will already be shown, with alternatives available on a pull-down list.

Distances are dealt with intelligently, as is the 'word wrap' of text from one line to the next and any extra vertical spacing needed.

...even in Wales
If you thought that was impressive, try switching on the bilingual option for Wales. All plate options, times, distances, etc. can be selected in English, with the plate magically appearing showing the correct Welsh translation above (or, for a short time only, below) the English.

Sign Structures
SignLoad Professional has also been enhanced - both the one built into SignPlot and the stand-alone version. It has some new sign products and the option of snow loading, but the biggest change is the ability to configure the printout from within the software. You can now add your logo and change what additional data is included from a simple dialogue.

SignPlot 3.25 and SignLoad Professional 3.25 are now ready to be downloaded from our website by those with current support contracts.
Notes to Editors

SignPlot is the most widely used computer system for designing and manufacturing UK traffic signs. It is in regular use by the Department of Transport, including for producing drafts of the new TSRGD, and is the only system not to be based upon CAD software.

The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions (TSRGD) is the Statutory Instrument that governs traffic signing in Britain. It was last fully revised in 2002, but the imminent 2016 edition has been completely rewritten and reformatted with a different structure. There is a current DfT consultation (closes 6 October 2015) on this.

Buchanan Computing is a leading supplier of software and training for traffic professionals, with over 20 years experience in computer mapping, design and data management for the highway. Its range of products for highway and traffic engineers and the police includes SignPlot, ParkMap and AccsMap: the UK’s best selling systems for traffic sign design, traffic order management and road collision analysis, respectively.

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