

Frontage Roads

Frontage or service roads may be constructed by VDOT where justified by existing or anticipated traffic needs, right-of-way requirements, etc. within funds available.

Where frontage or service roads have not been constructed by VDOT, the Department may cooperate with others in the construction of service roads to promote highway safety and provide suitable locations for public utility services.

VDOT may furnish assistance if the construction of a frontage road will provide significant public service and eliminate undesirable ingress and egress through the establishment of safe and properly spaced access points.

Frontage roads constructed in cities, municipalities, or towns of more than 3,500 or along Primary routes in those counties which maintain their Secondary roads shall meet all minimum VDOT standards or the standards of the city, town or county as provided by ordinance.

When frontage or service roads are constructed by someone other than VDOT, the following conditions shall apply:

If the road is Constructed on...	Then the construction Must...	And...
Existing State Right-of-Way	Conform to such rules regulations, standards, specifications, and plans as may be approved by VDOT and authorized by issue of a permit	The cost of the construction is fully borne by others.
Land Outside Existing State Right-of-Way	Conform to such rules, regulations, standards, specifications, and plans, as may be approved by VDOT	The land must be dedicated to public use if the road is to be accepted into the highway system and maintained by VDOT.
Then...	VDOT will accept as a part of the appropriate highway system, those service roads constructed by others in accordance with above criteria.	

VDOT will maintain the roads in accordance with maintenance standards established for such classes of roads.

The cost of maintaining frontage roads shall be charged to the route and section of mainline highway which it serves unless it forms an integral section of another route.

Source: Code of Virginia, [15.2-2265](#) and [33.2-404](#)*

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