

Spotter's Guide to Pylons - Height Extension

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All pylon types have a "standard" height. In some cases they need to be raised, so various height extensions are also available.

For example, with L12 series pylons, these come in 3 metre increments and are designated E3, E6 and so on up to E15. (You can also have height reductions, these are designated M3 and M6.)

The earlier designs of pylon, which were built to imperial measurements rather than metric, use the same manner to indicate height extensions but in this case the number refers to feet and not metres! So an L2 series pylon can come in E8, E16, E24 and so on.

The pylons above are at Beckton, near Barking, and are raised to carry wires across a road flyover.

There are some examples opposite of slightly different pylons with huge height extensions. Look out for the same designs in your area. Nearby structures can help you to guess their height.

	<p>The open diamond shapes can often be seen in the structure of extended height towers.</p>	<p>Notes:</p>
	<p>This small pylon near West Ham has a huge height extension.</p>	<p>Notes:</p>
	<p>This pylon is raised to carry wires over water.</p>	<p>Notes:</p>