STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2020 No. 171

ROADS TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

The Parking and Waiting Restrictions (Newtownards) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2020

Made - - - -	*13th August 2020*
Coming into operation -	*7th September 2020*

The Department for Infrastructure(**a**) makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 4(1), (2) and (3) of The Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997(**b**) and now vested in it(**c**).

The Department has consulted such persons as it considered appropriate in compliance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 1 to that Order.

The Department has published a notice in compliance with paragraphs 1 and 3 of that Schedule.

No written objection or other representation has been received.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as The Parking and Waiting Restrictions (Newtownards) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2020 and shall come into operation on 7th September 2020.

Amendments

2.—(1) The Parking and Waiting Restrictions (Newtownards) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018(**d**) is amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (4).

(2) For Article 11 substitute the following—

"**Lengths of road on which vehicles must not wait**

11. Save as provided in Article 12, a person shall not cause or permit a vehicle to wait—

(a) at any time on the lengths of road specified in Part 1 or Part 3 of Schedule 2; or

(b) during the hours between 8.00 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. on the days Monday to Friday inclusive on the lengths of road specified in Part 2 of Schedule 2."

(**a**) 2016 c. 5 (N.I.)
(**b**) S.I. 1997/276 (N.I. 2)
(**c**) S.R. 1999 No. 481 Article 6(d) and Schedule 4 Part IV
(**d**) S.R. 2018 No. 164 as amended by S.R. 2019 No. 103

(3) For Article 12 substitute the following—

"**Exceptions to prohibition of waiting**

12.—(1) Nothing in Article 11 shall render it unlawful to cause or permit a vehicle to wait on the carriageway of a length of road specified in Schedule 2 where the person in control of it is prevented from proceeding by circumstances beyond that person's control or to avoid an accident or for so long as may be reasonably necessary to enable—

(a) a person to board or alight from a vehicle provided that such boarding or alighting does not cause the vehicle to wait in the same place for more than 2 minutes;

(b) the vehicle to be used in an emergency by a medical practitioner, or for fire and rescue, ambulance, police or customs purposes or for the purposes of the security forces;

(c) the vehicle to be used by or on behalf of a universal service provider for the purposes of the delivery to, or collection from, premises situated adjacent to the length of road of postal packets;

(d) the vehicle, if it cannot be conveniently be used for such purposes outside that length of the road, to be used—

(i) in connection with any building, repair or demolition operations;

(ii) in connection with the removal of any obstruction to traffic;

(iii) by or on behalf of a district council or government department in pursuance of statutory powers or duties;

(iv) by or on behalf of a sewerage undertaker or a water undertaker in connection with the discharge of that undertaker's functions;

(v) in connection with the discharge of the functions of the holder of a licence granted under Article 10 of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 or of a licence granted under Article 8 of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996; or

(vi) in connection with the laying, erection, alteration or repair of any electronic communications apparatus as defined in Schedule 2 to the Telecommunications Act 1984.

(2) Nothing in Article 11 shall render it unlawful to cause or permit a vehicle to wait on the carriageway of a length of road specified in Part 1 or Part 2 of Schedule 2 for so long as may be reasonably necessary to enable goods to be loaded or unloaded from the vehicle.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph 1(a) a vehicle shall be deemed to wait in the same place for more than 2 minutes if any one part of the carriageway is below any part of the vehicle or its load (if any) throughout a period exceeding 2 minutes whether or not the vehicle is moved during that period."

(4) For Schedule 2 substitute the Schedule set out in the Schedule to this Order.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Infrastructure on 13th August 2020

(L.S.)

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A senior officer of the Department for Infrastructure