STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2016 No. 130

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

The Urban Clearways Order (Northern Ireland) 2016

Made - - - -	*8th March 2016*
Coming into operation -	*29th March 2016*

The Department for Regional Development(**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 objection or other representation has been received.

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as The Urban Clearways Order (Northern Ireland) 2016 and shall come into operation on 29th March 2016.

(2) In this Order —

"carriageway" means a way constituted or comprised in a road being a way over which the public have a right of way for the passage of vehicles but does not include a lay-by;

"lay-by" means a surfaced area adjacent to the carriageway intended for the waiting of vehicles;

"medical practitioner" means a registered person within the meaning of the Medical Act 1983(**d**);

"postal packet" means a letter, parcel, packet or other article transmissible by post as defined in section 125 of the Postal Services Act 2000(**e**);

"specified road" means the carriageway of any road or length of road specified in column 1 of Schedule 1;

(**a**) S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1) Article 3(1)
(**b**) S.I. 1997/276 (N.I. 2)
(**c**) S.R. 1999 No. 481 Article 6(*d*) and Schedule 4 Part IV
(**d**) 1983 c. 54
(**e**) 2000 c. 26

"statutory undertaker" means—

(a) the railway undertaking within the meaning of the Transport Act (Northern Ireland) 1967(**a**); or

(b) any body or person authorised by any statutory provision to carry on any harbour or dock undertaking; and

"universal service provider" has the same meaning as in section 4(3) and (4) of the Postal Services Act 2000.

Control of waiting

2. Save as provided in Article 3, no person shall cause or permit a vehicle to wait wholly or partly in a specified road during the hours and on the days specified in columns 2 and 3 of Schedule 1 respectively.

Exceptions

3.—(1) Nothing in Article 2 shall render it unlawful for a person to cause or permit a vehicle to wait on a specified road 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 the purpose 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 conveniently be used for such purposes outside that length of 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) in connection with the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of that road;

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

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

(vi) 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(**b**) or of a licence granted under Article 8 of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996(**c**); or

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

(e) the opening or closing of a gate or other barrier at the entrance to premises to which the vehicle requires access or from which it has emerged if it is not reasonably practicable for the vehicle to wait otherwise than in that length of road while such gate or barrier is opened or closed.

(**a**) 1967 c. 37 (N.I.)
(**b**) S.I. 1992/231 (N.I. 1)
(**c**) S.I. 1996/275 (N.I. 2)
(**d**) 1984 c. 12 as amended by 2003 c. 21 Sch. 3 para 2(2)

(2) The provisions of Article 2 shall not apply to a vehicle where the person in control of it—

(i) is required by law to stop; or

(ii) is acting upon the direction or with the permission of a constable in uniform.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(a) a vehicle shall not 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.

Revocations

4. The provisions specified in column (1) of Schedule 2 are revoked to the extent specified in column (3).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Regional Development on 8th March 2016

(L.S.)

G F McKenna
A senior officer of the Department for Regional Development

SCHEDULE 1

Article 2

Urban Clearways

	Column 1	*Column 2*	*Column 3*
1.	Barrack Street, Armagh.	8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
2.	Friary Road, Armagh – from a point 15 metres south-west of its southern junction with Newry Road roundabout to that junction – both sides.	8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
3.	Friary Road, Armagh – from it northern junction with Newry Road roundabout to its junction with Scotch Street roundabout – both sides.	8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
4.	Gaol Square, Armagh – both sides.	8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
5.	Newry Road, Armagh – from a point 15 metres east of its junction with Newry Road roundabout to that junction – both sides.	8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
6.	Newry Road roundabout, Armagh.	8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
7.	Scotch Street, Armagh – from a point 15 metres north-west of its junction with Scotch Street roundabout to that junction – both sides.	8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
8.	Scotch Street roundabout, Armagh.	8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
9.	The Mall West, Armagh – from a point 45 metres north-west of its junction with Gaol Square to that junction – both sides.	8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
10.	Castlewellan, Road, Banbridge – from its junction with Church Square, to a point 75 metres south-east of that junction – both sides.	8.15 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
11.	Church Square, Banbridge – all sides.	8.15 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
12.	Church Street, Banbridge – from its junction with Church Square, to a point 170 metres north-west of that junction – both sides.	8.15 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
13.	Downshire Road, Banbridge – from its junction with The Bann Bridge, to a point 27 metres north-west of that junction – both sides.	8.15 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
14.	Dromore Street, Banbridge – from its junction with Church Street, to a point 35 metres north-east of that junction – both sides.	8.15 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive

15.	The Bann Bridge, Banbridge – both sides.	8.15 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
16.	Albert Bridge, Belfast – both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
17.	Albertbridge Road, Belfast – both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
18.	Albert Square, Belfast (southern carriageway) – both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
19.	Andersonstown Road, Belfast – north side.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
20.	Andersonstown Road, Belfast – south side.	4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
21.	Annadale Embankment, Belfast – from its junction with Ormeau Road to its junction with Elgin Street – both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
22.	Ann Street, Belfast – from its junction with Oxford Street and Donegall Quay to its junction with Victoria Street – both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
23.	Antrim Road, Belfast – from its junction with Carlisle Circus to the mid-point of Bellevue Bridge – both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
24.	Balmoral Avenue, Belfast – both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
25.	Bedford Street, Belfast – from its junction with Bruce Street to its junction with Ormeau Avenue – both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
26.	Beersbridge Road, Belfast – from its junction with Bloomfield Road to its junction with Woodstock Road – south side.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
27.	Beersbridge Road, Belfast – from its junction with Woodstock Road to its junction with Bloomfield Avenue – north side.	4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
28.	Belmont Road, Belfast – from its junction with Dundela Avenue to its junction with Holywood Road – south side.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
29.	Belmont Road, Belfast – from its junction with Holywood Road to its junction with Ranfurly Drive – north side.	4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
30.	Botanic Avenue, Belfast – west side.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
31.	Botanic Avenue, Belfast – east side.	4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
32.	Boucher Road, Belfast – both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
33.	Bradbury Place, Belfast – both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive