STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1997 No. 197

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

Urban Clearways Order (Northern Ireland) 1997

Made - - - -	*2nd April 1997*
Coming into operation	*14th May 1997*

WHEREAS the Department of the Environment has published a notice in compliance with Article 23(1) and (2) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**1**);

AND WHEREAS no objection or representation has been received;

NOW THEREFORE the Department, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 21(1) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Urban Clearways Order (Northern Ireland) 1997 and shall come into operation on 14th May 1997.

(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;

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

"statutory undertaker" means—

(a) the Post Office;

(b) the railway undertaking within the meaning of the Transport Act (Northern Ireland) 1967(**2**);

(c) an undertaking within the meaning of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1977(**3**);

(d) any body or person authorised by any statutory provision to carry on any harbour or dock undertaking.

(**1**) S.I.1981/154 (N.I. 1); *see* Article 2(2) for the definition of "Department" and Article 2(2A) (as inserted by S.I. 1995/2994 (N.I. 18) Schedule 3 Part 1 paragraph 1(2))
(**2**) 1967 c. 37 (N.I.)
(**3**) S.I. 1977/596 (N.I. 7)

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.

Exemptions

3.—(1) Nothing in Article 2 shall render it unlawful to cause or permit a vehicle to wait in a specified road for so long as may be necessary—

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

(b) for the collection or delivery of a postal packet as defined in section 87 of the Post Office Act, 1953(**4**);

(c) for 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 a specified road while such gate or barrier is opened or closed;

(d) to enable the vehicle, if it cannot conveniently be used for such purpose in any road not being a specified road, to be used in connection with—

(i) any building, repair or demolition operations;

(ii) the removal of any obstruction to traffic;

(iii) the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of a specified road;

(iv) the discharge of the functions of the holder of a licence granted under Article 10(1) of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992(**5**) by or on behalf of the holder; or

(v) the laying, erection, alteration or repair of any telecommunication apparatus as defined in section 4(3) of the Telecommunications Act 1984(**6**).

(2) For the purpose of paragraph (1)(*a*) a vehicle shall be deemed to wait for more than 2 minutes in the same place 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.

(3) The provisions of Article 2 shall not apply to a vehicle—

(a) being used in an emergency for fire brigade, ambulance or police purposes;

(b) being used in the service of a statutory undertaker or a government department in pursuance of statutory powers or duties, if the vehicle cannot conveniently be used for such service in any other road;

(c) where the person in control of it—

(i) is required by law to stop;

(ii) is obliged to stop in order to prevent an accident; or

(iii) is prevented from proceeding by circumstances outside his control; or

(d) the driver of which is acting upon the direction or with the permission of a constable in uniform or of a traffic warden.

(**4**) 1953 c. 36
(**5**) S.I. 1992/231 (N.I. 1)
(**6**) 1984 c. 12

Revocations

4. The Orders described in Schedule 2 are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on

2nd April 1997.

J. Carlisle
Assistant Secretary

SCHEDULE 1

Articles 1 and 2

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
1. Barrack Street, Armagh — both sides	8 30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
2. Friary Road, Armagh (from a point approximately 15 metres	8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. south-west of its southern junction with Newry Road Roundabout to that junction) —both sides	Monday to Friday inclusive 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.
3. Friary Road, Armagh (from its northern junction with Newry Road	8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. Roundabout to its junction with Scotch Street Roundabout) — both sides	Monday to Friday inclusive 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.
4. Gaol Square, Armagh — both sides	8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
5. Newry Road, Armagh (from a point approximately 15 metres east of its junction with Newry Road Roundabout to that junction) — both sides	8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. 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. 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
7. Scotch Street, Armagh (from a point approximately 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. 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. 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
9. The Mall West, Armagh (from a point approximately 45 metres north-west of its junction with Gaol Square to that junction) — both sides	8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
10. Albert Bridge, Belfast — both sides	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
11. Albertbridge Road, Belfast — both sides	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
12. Albert Square, Belfast (southern carriageway) — both sides	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
13. Andersonstown Road, Belfast — north side	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
14. Andersonstown Road, Belfast — south side	4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive

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15. 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. 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
16. 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. 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
17. 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. 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
18. Balmoral Avenue, Belfast — both sides	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
19. 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
20. 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
21. 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
21. 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
23. Botanic Avenue, Belfast — west side	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
24. Botanic Avenue, Belfast — east side	4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
25. Boucher Road, Belfast — west side	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
26. Boucher Road, Belfast — east side	4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
27. Bradbury Place, Belfast — both sides	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive