1993 No. 320

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

The Bus Lanes (Ormeau Road, Belfast) Order (Northern Ireland) 1993

Made	*21st July 1993*
Coming into operation . .	*24th August 1993*

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(a);

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, makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as The Bus Lanes (Ormeau Road, Belfast) Order (Northern Ireland) 1993 and shall come into operation on 24th August 1993.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"bus" means a public service vehicle constructed or adapted to carry 12 or more passengers;

"bus lane" means the area of the carriageway of the lengths of Ormeau Road, Belfast, described in the Schedule.

Restriction on traffic

3. Save as provided in Article 4 a person shall not, during the hours 8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. on the days Monday to Friday inclusively, except upon the direction or with the permission of a constable in uniform or of a traffic warden, cause or permit any vehicle other than a bus or pedal cycle to enter, proceed or wait in a bus lane.

(a) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1); *see* Article 2(2) for the definition of "Department"

Exemptions

4. The prohibition in Article 3 shall not render it unlawful for any person to cause or permit any vehicle to enter, proceed or wait in a bus lane so far as such entry, proceeding or waiting is reasonably necessary to enable the vehicle to be used—

(*a*) for police, military, fire brigade, or ambulance purposes; or

(*b*) in the services of the Department in pursuance of statutory powers or duties; or

(*c*) for access to or from lay-bys or premises adjacent to or accessible only by crossing the bus lane; or

(*d*) in connection with the supply of electricity or any telegraphic line.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 21st July 1993.

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