# 1992 No. 555

# ROAD AND RAILWAY TRANSPORT

## Level Crossing (Coleraine (Artillery Road)) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992

*Made* . . . . . *22nd December 1992*

*Coming into operation* . . *7th February 1993*

WHEREAS the railway undertaking made an application to the Department in accordance with section 66(4) of the Transport Act (Northern Ireland) 1967(**a**);

AND WHEREAS before making the application the railway undertaking gave notice in accordance with section 66(5) and (6) of that Act to the council in whose district the crossing is situated;

AND WHEREAS the Department did not receive from that council any representations in respect of the said application;

NOW THEREFORE the Department of the Environment(**b**), in exercise of the powers conferred by section 66(1) and (2) of the Transport Act (Northern Ireland) 1967 and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, makes the following Order:

*Citation, commencement and interpretation*

**1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Level Crossing (Coleraine (Artillery Road)) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992 and shall come into operation on 7th February 1993.

(2) In this Order "the crossing" means the Coleraine (Artillery Road) Level Crossing in the townland of Millburn and County of Londonderry whereby the road known as Artillery Road is crossed by the railway between Coleraine and Portrush Stations.

*Suspension of statutory provisons*

**2.** While this Order remains in force—

(*a*) section 47 of the Railways Clauses Consolidation Act 1845(**c**) (requirements as to gates);

(*b*) section 6 of the Railways Clauses Act 1863(**d**) (requirements as to lodges, etc.); and

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(**a**) 1967 c. 37 (N.I.) as amended by S.I. 1984/1986 (N.I. 15) Art. 15 and S.I. 1990/994 (N.I. 7) Sch. 2

(**b**) The functions of the Ministry of Development under the Transport Act (Northern Ireland) 1967 transferred to the Department of the Environment by S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504 Art. 4

(**c**) 1845 c. 20

(**d**) 1863 c. 92

(*c*) any other statutory provision imposing requirements to the same or similar effect as those contained in the enactments mentioned in paragraphs (*a*) and (*b*),

shall not apply in relation to the crossing.

*Provision of equipment*

**3.** The railway undertaking shall at the crossing—

(*a*) provide, maintain and operate the barriers, lights, automatic and other devices, excluding traffic signs, specified in Schedule 1 and shall give notice in writing to the Department of the Environment as soon as the provision thereof is complete;

(*b*) secure the provision, maintenance and operation by that Department of the traffic signs specified in Schedule 1; and

(*c*) comply with the conditions and requirements specified in Schedule 2.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 22nd December 1992.

(L.S.) *Trevor Pearson*
Assistant Secretary

SCHEDULE 1 Article 3(*a*) and (*b*)

PARTICULARS OF THE BARRIERS, LIGHTS, TRAFFIC SIGNS AND OTHER DEVICES

1. A lifting barrier shall be pivoted as close to the railway as practicable on both sides of the road on each side of the railway.

2. When lowered, the barrier shall be as nearly horizontal as possible and shall extend across the full width of the carriageway and the footways.

3. When the barriers are fully lowered their uppermost surfaces shall be not less than 900mm above the road surface at the centre of the carriageway and the underclearance between the barriers and the carriageway shall not exceed 1000mm.

4. When in the fully raised position the barriers shall be inclined towards the carriageway at an angle of between 5 and 10 degrees from the vertical. No part of any barrier or of any attachment thereto which is less than 5 metres above the level of the carriageway shall be horizontally displaced from the nearer edge of the carriageway by less than 450mm. and no part of any barrier or of any attachment thereto which is less than 2 metres above the level of the footway shall be horizontally displaced from that edge of the footway further from the carriageway by less than 150mm.

5. The barriers shall be as light as possible but shall also be strong enough to prevent distortion or fracture likely to be caused by wind pressure.

6. The barriers shall be fitted with skirts of a pale colour and light construction so arranged that when the barriers are lowered the skirts fence in the space between the barriers and the ground.

7. The barriers shall display on both front and rear faces alternate red and white bands each approximately 600mm long and to the full depth of the barriers. A band of red retro-reflecting material not less than 50mm deep shall be provided along the full length of each red band.

8. Suitable screening shall be provided for each barrier machine to guard against danger to persons from the operating mechanism and moving parts of the machine.

9. Three electric lamps, each of not less than 5 watts nominal rating and with lenses of not less than 50mm diameter, shall be fitted to each barrier, one within 150mm of its tip and the other near its centre. When illuminated, the lamps shall show a red light in each direction along the carriageway.

10. A traffic light signal as prescribed by regulation 13(4) of the Regulations shall be provided on the left hand side of the carriageway on each approach to the crossing along the carriageway and as close as practicable to the barrier. There shall be an additional traffic light signal of the same type on the right hand side of the road on each approach to the crossing so located as to be either in line with or on the railway side of the stop line mentioned in paragraph 12. The traffic light signals on each side of the railway shall be positioned so as to face outwards from the crossing towards approaching road traffic. All the signals shall be capable of directional adjustment.

11. An audible warning device shall be provided on or adjacent to each left hand side traffic light signal post on each approach to the crossing. Facilities shall be provided to reduce the sound output of these devices and any reduced sound output shall operate between 23.30 hours and 07.00 hours approximately.