**1981 No. 79**

# ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

## Urban Clearways (Carrickfergus) Order (Northern Ireland) 1981

*Made* . . . . . *12th March 1981*

*Coming into operation* . . . *27th April 1981*

The Department of the Environment in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 19(1) of the Road Traffic Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(**a**) and of all other powers 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 (Carrickfergus) Order (Northern Ireland) 1981 and shall come into operation on 27th April 1981.

(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;

"hard shoulder" means a surfaced strip alongside the carriageway;

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

"prescribed hours" means the time between 8 a.m. and 9.30 a.m. and between 4.30 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. on any day except Saturday and Sunday;

"specified road" means the carriageway of any road or length of road specified in the schedule;

"statutory undertakers" means persons authorised by a statutory provision to carry on a railway, canal, inland navigation, dock, harbour, gas, electricity or other public undertaking and includes the Post Office.

*Control of waiting*

**2.** Save as provided in article 3 no person shall cause or permit a vehicle to wait wholly or partly during the prescribed hours in a specified road.

*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 postal packets as defined in section 87 of the Post Office Act 1953(**b**);

(*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;

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(**a**) 1970 c. 2 (N.I.) as substituted by S.I. 1978/1051 (N.I. 21)
(**b**) 1953 c. 36