1981 No. 64

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

Urban Clearways (Belfast) Order (Northern Ireland) 1981

Made . . . . . *3rd March 1981*

Coming into operation . . . *13th 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 (Belfast) Order (Northern Ireland) 1981 and shall come into operation on 13th 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 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;

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

Revocation

2. The Urban Clearways (Belfast) Order (Northern Ireland) 1979(**b**) is hereby revoked.

Control of Waiting

3. Save as provided in article 4 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 the schedule respectively.

Exemptions

4.—(1) Nothing in article 3 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(**c**);

(**a**) 1970 c. 2 (N.I.) as substituted by S.I. 1978/1051 (N.I. 21)
(**b**) S.R. 1979 No. 84
(**c**) 1953 c. 36

(*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; or

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

(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 3 shall not apply to a vehicle:—

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

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

(*c*) waiting in a lay-by;

(*d*) 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

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

5. The restrictions imposed by this order shall be in addition to and not in derogation of any restriction or requirement imposed by the Road Traffic Act (Northern Ireland) 1970 or by a statutory provision made thereunder.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland on 3rd March 1981.

(L.S.) *W. P. McIlmoyle*
Assistant Secretary

SCHEDULE 1

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Albert Bridge, Belfast—both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Albertbridge Road, Belfast—both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Albert Square, Belfast (south side)—both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Ann Street, Belfast (from Oxford Street/Donegall Quay junction to Victoria Street)—both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Antrim Road, Belfast (from Carlisle Circus to Sandyknowes Roundabout, Glengormley, Newtownabbey)—both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Ballyclare Road, Newtownabbey (from Antrim Road, Glengormley to Glebe Road)—both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Ballygowan Road, Castlereagh (from Upper Knockbreda Road to a point opposite the southern kerbline of Glen Road)—west side.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Ballygowan Road, Castlereagh (from Glen Road to Knock Road)—east side.	4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Balmoral Avenue, Belfast—both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Bedford Street, Belfast—east side.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Beersbridge Road, Belfast (from Woodstock Road to Bloomfield Road)—south side.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive

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Beersbridge Road, Belfast (from Woodstock Road to Bloomfield Road)—north side.	4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Belmont Road, Belfast (from Holywood Road to Wandsworth Road)—south side.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Belmont Road, Belfast (from Holywood Road to Wandsworth Drive)—north side.	4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Botanic Avenue, Belfast (including part of College Park) from a point 39 metres south of the southern kerbline of University Square to Shaftesbury Square—west side.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Botanic Avenue, Belfast (from Donegall Pass to College Park)—east side.	4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Bradbury Place, Belfast—both sides	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Bridge End, Belfast—both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Bridge Street, Belfast—both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Broadway, Belfast (from Falls Road to Donegall Road)—west side.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Broadway, Belfast (from Falls Road to Donegall Road)—east side.	4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Carlisle Circus, Belfast.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive

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Castle Place, Belfast—both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Castle Street, Belfast—both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Castlereagh Road, Belfast (from Beersbridge Road to Upper Knockbreda Road)—south-west side.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Castlereagh Road, Belfast (from Knock Road to Beersbridge Road)—north-east side.	4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Castlereagh Street, Belfast—both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Chichester Street, Belfast—both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Clifton Street, Belfast—both sides.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Cliftonville Road, Belfast, north-east side.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
Cliftonville Road, Belfast, south-west side.	4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
College Park, Belfast (from the eastern kerbline of Botanic Avenue to University Avenue)—north side.	4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive
College Park, Belfast (from University Avenue to the prolongation of the eastern kerbline of Botanic Avenue)—south side.	8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Monday to Friday inclusive