The Ministry of Finance hereby approves the foregoing Scheme.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this twenty-fifth day of May, nineteen hundred and sixty-two, in the presence of

(L.S.) *K. R. Shimeld,*
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Scheme, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Scheme revokes the Scheme hitherto in force for the hire purchase of agricultural machinery and equipment. It re-enacts the principal provisions but enlarges the range of plant and equipment for which loans may be made to include, in approved cases, certain fixed equipment and raises the maximum limit for the amount which may be advanced.

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This Order has been exempted from printing by the Statutory Rules Act (Northern Ireland), 1958. A summary is given in the List of Statutory Rules and Orders of a Local Character under the heading ROADS.

1962. No. 105 **[C]**

ROAD TRAFFIC

REGULATIONS, DATED 5TH JUNE, 1962, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SUB-SECTION (1) OF SECTION EIGHT OF THE MOTOR VEHICLES AND ROAD TRAFFIC ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1929, AND SECTION SEVENTY-TWO OF THE ROAD TRAFFIC ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1955.

The Ministry of Home Affairs, in exercise of the powers vested in it by sub-section (1) of section eight of the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act (Northern Ireland), 1929(**a**), and section seventy-two of the Road Traffic Act (Northern Ireland), 1955(**b**), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and application

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Motorway Traffic Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1962.

(a) 20 Geo. 5. c. 21 (N.I.). (b) 1955. c. 27.

(2) These Regulations shall apply to that part of the South Approach Road (M.1) designated in the Trunk Roads (South Approach Road) Order (Northern Ireland), 1956(a), from its junction with Donegall Road, Belfast (Route C.703), to its junction with Saintfield Road, Lisburn (Route B.6), excluding the roundabouts at its junctions with Donegall Road, Belfast, Stockman's Lane (Route C.1) and Saintfield Road, Lisburn, and herein referred to as "the motorway".

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

(*a*) "carriageway" means that part of the motorway which is constructed with a surface suitable for the regular passage of vehicular motor traffic along the motorway, but does not include any part of a central reservation or verge;

(*b*) "central reservation" means that part of the motorway which separates two carriageways running along the motorway parallel or approximately parallel to each other and which is contiguous on one side to one of those carriageways and on the other side to the other of those carriageways;

(*c*) "excluded traffic" means traffic other than that specified in the Schedule;

(*d*) "the Ministry" means the Ministry of Home Affairs;

(*e*) "motorway" has the meaning assigned to it by paragraph (2) of Regulation 1;

(*f*) "traffic sign" includes any device of any kind, whether mechanical or otherwise, for the warning, direction, guidance or information of persons using the motorway or other roads;

(*g*) "verge" means that part of the motorway, not being a carriageway or a central reservation, the surface of which is different in colour or texture from that of a carriageway.

(2) A vehicle shall be treated for the purposes of any provision of these Regulations as being on any part of the motorway specified in that provision if any part of the vehicle (whether it is at rest or not) is on the part of the motorway so specified.

(3) Any provision of these Regulations containing any prohibition or restriction relating to the driving, moving or stopping of a vehicle, or to its remaining at rest, shall be construed as a provision that no person shall use the motorway by driving, moving or stopping the vehicle or by causing or permitting it to be driven or moved, or to stop or remain at rest, in contravention of that prohibition or restriction.

Use of Motorway

3. The motorway shall not be used, save as provided by or under these Regulations, by traffic, whether vehicular, pedestrian or animal, other than that specified in the Schedule.

Vehicles to be driven on the carriageways only

4. Subject to the following provisions, no vehicle shall be driven on any part of the motorway which is not a carriageway.

Direction of driving

5.—(1) Where there is a traffic sign indicating that there is no entry to a carriageway at a particular place, no vehicle shall be driven or moved on to that carriageway at that place.

(a) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1956, No. 96.

(2) Where there is a traffic sign indicating that there is no left or right turn into a carriageway at a particular place, no vehicle shall be so driven or moved as to cause it to turn to the left or (as the case may be) to the right into that carriageway at that place.

(3) Every vehicle on a length of carriageway which is contiguous to a central reservation shall be driven in such a direction only that that reservation is at all times on the right-hand or off side of the vehicle.

(4) Where traffic signs are so placed that there is a length of carriageway (being a length which is not contiguous to a central reservation) which can be entered at one end only by vehicles driven in conformity with paragraph (1), every vehicle on that length of carriageway shall be driven in such a direction only as to cause it to proceed away from that end of that length of carriageway towards the other end thereof.

(5) Without prejudice to the foregoing provisions of this Regulation, no vehicle which—

(*a*) is on a length of carriageway on which vehicles are required by any of the foregoing provisions of this Regulation to be driven in one direction only and is proceeding in or facing that direction, or

(*b*) is on any other length of carriageway and is proceeding in or facing one direction,

shall be driven or moved so as to cause it to turn and proceed in or face the opposite direction.

Restrictions on stopping

6.—(1) Subject to the following provisions of this Regulation, no vehicle shall stop or remain at rest on a carriageway.

(2) Where it is necessary for a vehicle which is being driven on a carriageway to be stopped while it is on the motorway—

(*a*) by reason of a breakdown or mechanical defect or lack of fuel, oil or water required for the vehicle, or

(*b*) by reason of any accident, illness or other emergency, or

(*c*) to permit any person carried in or on the vehicle to recover or move any object which has fallen on the motorway, or

(*d*) to permit any person carried in or on the vehicle to give help which is required by any other person in any of the circumstances specified in the foregoing provisions of this paragraph,

the vehicle shall, as soon and in so far as is reasonably practicable, be driven or moved off the carriageway on to, and may stop and remain at rest on, the verge which lies on the left-hand or near side of that vehicle while it is proceeding along that carriageway in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 5.

(3) A vehicle which is at rest on a verge in any of the circumstances specified in paragraph (2)—

(*a*) shall so far as is reasonably practicable be allowed to remain at rest on that verge in such a position only that no part of it or of the load carried thereby shall obstruct or be a cause of danger to vehicles using the carriageway, and

(*b*) shall not remain at rest on that verge for longer than is necessary in those circumstances.