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Part I

1. Citation

These regulations may be cited as the Traffic Signs Regulations.

2. Signs to be as indicated in the Schedule

Subject to the provisions of these Regulations, every traffic sign for conveying to vehicular traffic a requirement, prohibition or restriction specified in a diagram set out in the schedule shall be of the size, colour and type shown in the diagram relating to that requirement, prohibition or restriction.

3. Permitted variants

Where the circumstances so require—

(a) the numerals in diagrams Nos. 6, 8, 24, 25, 26 and 28 shall be varied to accord with the circumstances; and

(b) in diagram No. 10 the words "KEEP RIGHT" shall be substituted for the words "KEEP LEFT" to accord with the circumstances; and

(c) if parking is prohibited only on certain days or at certain hours, the days and times on which parking is prohibited may be specified on the traffic sign and diagram No. 1 shall be varied to accord with circumstances; and

(d) if parking is limited to a certain time at all or at certain hours on all or on certain days, such time, hours or days may be specified on the traffic sign and diagram No. 1, from which the word "NO" shall be excluded, shall be varied to accord with circumstances so as to convey when and to what extent parking is limited; and

(e) if parking is limited to a certain type or description of vehicle such type or description of vehicle may be specified on the traffic sign and diagram No. 1 from which the word "NO" shall be excluded, shall be varied to accord with circumstances so as to convey to what vehicle parking is limited.

4. Diagrams Nos. 6 and 7

(1) Where a speed limit has been imposed on a road by the Road Transport Commissioner by virtue of his powers under section 22 of the Act.

(a) the traffic sign set out in diagram No. 6 shall be used to indicate where the speed limit begins; and

(b) the traffic sign set out in diagram No. 7 shall be used to indicate where the speed limit ends.
(2) The traffic sign set out in diagram No. 7 may form the reverse side of the traffic sign set out in diagram No. 6.

5. **Diagrams Nos. 11 to 14**

(1) For the purposes of this Regulation—

“minor road” means a road at a road junction on which road is placed the sign shown in diagram 11 or 13; and

“major road” means the road at a road junction into which road there emerges vehicular traffic from a minor road.

(2) The requirements conveyed by the sign shown in diagram 11 are that—

(a) every vehicle shall, before entering the major road, stop at the transverse line shown in diagram 13 or, if the line is not for the time being visible, at the major road; and

(b) no vehicle shall proceed past the transverse line into that road, or if the line is not for the time being visible shall enter into the major road, in such a manner or at such time as is likely to cause danger to the driver of any other vehicle on the major road or as to necessitate the driver of any such other vehicle to change its speed or course in order to avoid a collision with the first mentioned vehicle.

(3) The requirement conveyed by the sign shown in diagram 12 is that no vehicle shall proceed past the transverse line shown in diagram 14 onto the major road, or if the line is not for the time being visible shall enter into the major road, in such manner or at such a time as is likely to cause danger to the driver of any other vehicle on the major road or as to necessitate the driver of any such other vehicle to change its speed or course in order to avoid a collision with the first mentioned vehicle.

(4) The sign shown in diagram 11 may be used only in conjunctions with the transverse line shown in diagram 13, and the sign shown in diagram 12 may be used only in conjunction with the transverse line shown in diagram 14.

6. **Give way road-markings**

(1) For the purposes of this Regulation—

“minor road” means a road at a road junction on which road there is the transverse line shown in diagram 14; and

“major road” means the road at a road junction into which road emerges vehicular traffic from a minor road.

(2) The requirement conveyed by the transverse line shown in diagram 14, whether or not it is used in conjunction with the sign shown in diagram 12, is that no vehicle shall proceed past the line into the major road in such a manner or at such a time as is likely to cause danger to the driver of any other vehicle on the major road or as to necessitate the driver of any such other vehicle to change its speed or course in order to avoid a collision with the first mentioned vehicle.

Part II

7. **Interpretation**

In this part any reference to—

(a) “Schedule 1” or “Schedule 5” shall be construed as a reference to Schedule 1 and Schedule 5 respectively of the Traffic Signs Regulations 1964 applicable to Great Britain, made on the 20th November 1964 and published as Statutory Instrument 1964 No. 1857;
8. Signs to be of the sizes, colours and types shown in diagrams

Subject to the provisions of this part, traffic signs for conveying to vehicular traffic on roads a requirement, and prohibition or restriction specified in or under a diagram in shown Part II of Schedule 1 (Other than a requirement shown in diagrams 601 or 602) shall be of the size, colour and type shown in the diagram relating to that requirement, prohibition or restrictions.

9. Significance of signs of "stop" and "give way"

(1) For the purposes of this regulation—

"minor road" means a road at a road junction on or near which road is placed the sign shown in diagram 601 or 602;

"major road" means a road at a road junction into which road emerges vehicular traffic from a minor road.

(2) The requirements conveyed by a sign shown in diagram 601 shall be that—

(a) every vehicle shall before entering the major road stop at the major road; and
(b) no vehicle shall enter into a major road in such a manner or at such a time as is likely to cause danger to the driver of any other vehicle on the major road or as to necessitate the driver of any such other vehicle to change its speed or course in order to avoid an accident with the first-mentioned vehicle.

(3) The requirements conveyed by the sign shown in diagram 602 shall be that no vehicle shall enter into the major road in such a manner or at such a time as is likely to cause danger to the driver of any other vehicle on the major road or as to necessitate the driver of any such other vehicle to change its speed or course in order to avoid an accident with the first-mentioned vehicle.

(4) A traffic sign for conveying to vehicular traffic on roads the requirements specified in subregulation (2) shall be of the size, colour and type shown in diagram 601 and a traffic sign for conveying to such vehicular traffic the requirement specified in subregulation (3) shall be of the size, colour and type shown in diagram 602.

10. Permitted variants

Where the circumstances so require—

(i) in diagram 609 the direction of the arrow may be reversed to indicate turn right ahead; and
(ii) in diagram 610 the arrow may be pointed downwards to the right to indicate keep right.

11. Dimensions

Where as respects any diagram in Part II of Schedule 1 a dimension for the sign shown in the diagram is indicated in one or more sets of brackets against a dimension not indicated in brackets, any dimension indicated in a set of brackets may be treated as an alternative to the dimension not so indicated.

12. Proportions and form of letters, numericals, characters and arrows

(1) Subject to the provisions of subregulation (2)—

(a) all letters incorporated in the signs shown in the diagrams in Part II of Schedule I shall have the proportions and form shown in either Part I, Part II, Part V or Part IV of Schedule 5;
(b) all numerals incorporated in the signs shown in the diagrams in Part II of Schedule 1 shall have the proportions and form shown in Part III or Part VII of Schedule 5; and

(c) all other characters incorporated in the signs shown in the diagrams in Part II of Schedule 1 shall have the proportions and forms in Part IV or Part VIII of Schedule 5.

(2) Any arrow to be used in a sign shown in a diagram in Part II of Schedule 1 shall have the proportion and form of the arrow secondly shown in Part IV or Part VIII of Schedule 5.

13. Traffic signs prescribed in Part I not superseded

A traffic sign shown in any of the diagrams in the schedule to these Regulations shall not be deemed to have been superseded by any traffic sign prescribed by this part and may not continue to be used if it complies with the provisions relating thereto virtue of by Part I.

13A. Box junction

A road marking shown in diagram No. 31 or diagram No. 32 may be placed on a road at a junction, other than a roundabout, to indicate that a vehicle shall not enter the area covered by the marking in a manner which causes the vehicle or any part thereof to remain stationary in that area due to the presence of vehicles therein except that a vehicle that had entered that area in a manner so as not to contravene the above restriction and waiting to complete a right turn may remain stationary therein for so long as is prevented from completing that turn by reason of either oncoming vehicles or of the presence of other stationary vehicles waiting in or near that area to complete a right turn.

[regulation 13A inserted by regulation 2(a) of SI 44 of 1997 w.e.f. 23 June 1997]

Part III – Traffic signs and road markings indicating parking restrictions

14. Diagrams Nos 15, 16 and 17

(1) The road marking shown in diagram 16 may be placed on a side of a road only for the purpose of indicating a prohibition or restriction on the waiting of vehicles (but excluding waiting for the purpose of loading or unloading a vehicle) which applies on that side for at least eight hours during the period from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on at least four days other than a Sunday in any week.

(2) The road marking shown in diagram 17 may be placed on a side of a road only for the purpose of indicating a prohibition or restriction on the waiting of vehicles (but excluding waiting for the purpose of loading or unloading a vehicle) which applies on that side for at least eight hours during the period from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on at least four days other than a Sunday in any week and at some times other than those during the period from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

(3) The road markings shown in diagram 15 may be placed on a side of a road only for the purpose of indicating a prohibition or restriction on the waiting of vehicles (but excluding waiting for the purpose of loading or unloading a vehicle) which applies otherwise than is specified in subregulations (1) and (2).

(4) A road marking shown in diagram 15 or 16 shall be used only in conjunction with at least one sign of the type shown in diagrams 22, 24 and 26, which sign shall be placed on the same side of the road as that on which the marking is placed.

15. Diagram Nos 18, 19 and 20

(1) The road marking shown in diagram 19 may be placed on a side of a road only for the purpose of indicating a prohibition or restriction on the waiting of vehicles for the purpose of their being loaded or unloaded which applies on that side for at least eight hours during the period from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on at least four days other than a Sunday in any week.
(2) The road marking shown in diagram 20 may be placed on a side of a road only for the purpose of indicating a prohibition or restriction on the waiting of vehicles for the purpose of their being loaded or unloaded which applies on that side for at least eight hours during the period from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on at least four days other than a Sunday in any week and at some times other than those during the period 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

(3) The road marking shown in diagram 18 may be placed on a side of a road only for the purpose of indicating a prohibition or restriction on the waiting of vehicles for the purpose of their being loaded or unloaded which applies otherwise than is specified in subregulations (1) and (2).

(4) A road marking shown in diagram 18, 19 and 20 shall be used only on conjunction with at least one sign of the type shown in diagram 23 or 25 which sign shall be placed on the same side of the road as that on which the marking is placed, and the marking shall be placed on the footway as near as practicable to edge of the carriageway or, if there is no footway, on the carriageway as near as practicable to its edge.

16. Diagrams Nos 22, 24 and 26

A sign of the type shown in diagrams 22, 24 and 26 may be placed on or near the side of a road only if there in conjunction with that sign and on the same side of the road a road marking shown in diagram 15 or 16 except that this regulations shall not apply where any such sign is so placed for the purposes of a temporary statutory provision.

17. Diagram Nos 23 and 23

A sign of the type shown in diagrams 23 or 25 may be placed on or near the side of the road only if there is placed in conjunction with that sign and on the same side of the road a road marking shown in diagram 18, 19 or 20 except that this regulation shall not apply where any such sign is so placed for the purposes of a temporary statutory provision.

18. Diagram 21

(1) The requirement conveyed by the sign shown in diagram 21 is that, where the sign is erected on both sides of a road to face traffic entering an area in respect of which there are parking restrictions in force, no vehicle shall be parked on a road in that area other than in accordance with any requirement or restriction conveyed by the road markings shown in diagrams 17, 22, 24 and 26.

(2) For the purposes of this regulation a vehicle is parked—

(a) When it is stationery for any reason other than to avoid interference with another road user or collision with an obstruction or to comply with traffic regulations; and

(b) subject to subregulation (3), if the period during which the vehicle is stationery is not limited to the time needed to pick up or set down persons or goods, and exceeds two minutes.

(3) Paragraph (b) of subregulation (2) shall not apply during the following periods—

(a) 7 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.;

(b) 11.45 a.m. to 1.15 p.m.; and

(c) 3.45 p.m. to 4.45 p.m.;

on any day other than a Saturday or Sunday.

19. Clearways diagrams Nos 27 to 30

(1) The requirement conveyed by the sign shown in diagram 27 is that, where the sign is erected on both sides of a road to face traffic entering the road or stretch of road, no vehicle shall stop on the
or stretch of road unless in an emergency or to comply with traffic regulations or the directions of a police officer in uniform.

(2) This regulation does not apply to a public omnibus stopped at a bus stop for the purpose of picking up or setting down passengers.

(3) Where the requirement referred to in subregulation (1) applies to a road or stretch of road exceeding one kilometre in distance, there shall be erected on the road in the same manner as described in subregulation (i) at intervals of not less than one kilometre the sign shown in diagram 29.

(4) The sign shown in diagram 28 may be used in conjunction with the sign shown in diagram 27 to indicate the distance over which the requirement applies.

(5) The sign shown in diagram 30 shall be used in conjunction with the sign shown in diagram 27 to indicate the end of the requirement referred to in paragraph (1).

20. Parking fee traffic sign

(1) Where a parking fee is levied for the parking of vehicles on a side of a road or on an open space to which the public are entitled or permitted to have access, a traffic sign of a design and type approved by the Road Transport Commissioner shall be placed on that side of the road or open place to indicate the fee and the period for which the fee is due.

(2) The traffic sign under subregulation (1) may be placed by itself or in conjunction with the sign shown in diagram 26.

21. Loading bay

A road marking depicted by a single yellow line placed on the lengthwise sides of parking bay with the capital letter L in yellow inside a circle circumscribed in yellow placed within the bay shall be used to indicate a loading bay.

Schedule

No. 1

1. 'No' to be 4" in height.
2. 'PARKING' to be 34" in height.

No. 2
All letters to be 5° in height.

**No. 3**

**No. 4**
1. 'NO' to be 3" in height.
2. 'CYCLING' to be 2" in height.

No. 6
1. The numerals to be 6° in height.
2. "SPEED LIMIT" to be 34° in height.
3. "M.P.H." to be 3° in height.

The black band to be 6° in width.
1. The numerals to be 6° in height.
2. "SPEED LIMIT" to be 42° in height.
3. "M.P.H." to be 2° in height.

No. 9

1. 'HALT' to be 6° in height.
2. All other letters to be 24° in height.

No. 10
All letters 4° in height.

**No. 11**

To indicate to vehicular traffic the requirements prescribed in Regulation 5(2)

**No. 12**

To indicate to vehicular traffic the requirements prescribed in Regulation 5(3)

**No. 13**
Transverse STOP line to indicate position beyond which vehicular traffic must not proceed when required to stop by the sign shown in diagram 11 of this schedule.

**No. 14**

Transverse GIVE AWAY line to indicate to vehicular traffic the requirements prescribed by Regulation 6.

**Diagrams 15 to 17**

Longitude lines to be laid near the edge of the roadway to indicate that waiting by vehicles on a side of a length of road is prohibited or restricted.

Note: When one of these types of longitudinal lines is used alone the short transverse line shall be provided at each end.

When two or more of these types of lines are used in continuous sequence, the short transverse line shall be provided at each end of the sequence and also at any point where the pattern of longitudinal lines change.

**Diagrams 18 to 20**
Lines to be laid at the edge of the footway nearest the carriageway, or where there is no footway at the end of the carriageway, to indicate to vehicular traffic that waiting by vehicles for the purpose of loading and unloading on a side of a length of road is prohibited or restricted.

Note: Where the footway is provided with a raised kerb the marking shall be contained down the vertical face of the kerb.

No parking

Plate showing continuous prohibition on parking

Plate showing continuous prohibition on loading and unloading.
Plate showing hours during and direction in which parking is prohibited

No. 25

Plate showing times during and directions in which loading and unloading are prohibited

No. 26

Plate showing hours during which parking is limited

No. 27

Clearway sign,
No stopping on roadway.

No. 28

Distance over which prohibition extend.
Plate for use with sign in diagram 17.

No. 29

Clearway repeater.
Sign for use in conjunction with sign in diagram 17 to be erected on both sides of the road to face oncoming traffic at 1km. intervals.

No. 30

Plate showing end of prohibition, for use with signs in diagram 27.

Diagram 31
Diagram 32