

**2013 No. 288**

**ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES**

**The Control of Traffic (Antrim) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2013**

*Made* - - - - - *9th December 2013*

*Coming into operation* - *30th December 2013*

The Department for Regional Development<sup>(a)</sup> makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 4(1), (2) and (3) of the Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997<sup>(b)</sup> and now vested in it<sup>(c)</sup>.

The Department has consulted such persons as it considered appropriate in compliance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 1 to that Order.

The Department has published a notice in compliance with paragraphs 1 and 3 of that Schedule.

No written objections or other representations have been received.

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as The Control of Traffic (Antrim) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2013 and shall come into operation on 30th December 2013.

**Amendment**

2. The Control of Traffic (Antrim) Order (Northern Ireland) 2008<sup>(d)</sup> shall be amended in accordance with Articles 3 and 4.

3. For Article 1(2) substitute the following—

““articulated goods vehicle” has the same meaning as in Article 19D of the Order of 1981;

“bus” means a public service vehicle constructed or adapted to carry 12 or more passengers and which is licensed to operate a stage carriage service on the length of road specified in Article 2 under a road service license granted under the Transport Act (Northern Ireland) 1967<sup>(e)</sup>

“goods” includes goods or burden of any description;

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(a) S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1) Article 3(1)

(b) S.I. 1997/276 (N.I. 2)

(c) S.R. 1999 No. 481 Article 6(d) and Schedule 4 Part IV

(d) S.R. 2008 No. 368

(e) 1967 c. 37 as amended by S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1972/359, S.I. 1984/703 (N.I. 3) and S.I. 1990/994 (N.I. 7)

“heavy goods vehicle” means an articulated goods vehicle or a large goods vehicle, that is to say, a motor vehicle (not being an articulated goods vehicle) constructed or adapted for the use of carriage of goods, the permissible maximum weight of which exceeds 7.5 tonnes;

“motor vehicle” means a mechanically-propelled vehicle (not being a tramcar or other vehicle running on permanent rails, or a trolley vehicle) which is intended or adapted for use on roads; and

“permissible maximum weight”, has the same meaning as in Article 19D of the Order of 1981;

“specified hours” means the hours between 9.30 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. on the days Monday to Saturday inclusive.”

4. For Article 2 (prohibition on traffic) substitute the following—

**“Prohibition on traffic**

2. Subject to Article 3, a person shall not, except upon the direction or with the permission of a constable in uniform, cause or permit any vehicle to enter, proceed or wait in the link road from Dublin Road to Market Square, Antrim other than—

- (a) a bus; or
- (b) during the specified hours, a heavy goods vehicle.”

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Regional Development on 9th December 2013

(L.S.)

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A senior officer of the Department for Regional Development

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order amends The Control of Traffic (Antrim) Order (Northern Ireland) 2008 by permitting heavy goods vehicles to proceed along the link road from Dublin Road to Market Square between 9.30 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. on the days Monday to Saturday inclusive.

Any person who acts in contravention of Article 2 of the Order by causing or permitting any vehicle other than a bus or heavy goods vehicle to wait in the link road shall be liable to a penalty charge (£90) payable in accordance with the Traffic Management (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 and the Penalty Charges (Prescribed Amounts) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006.

Any person who contravenes any other provision of the Order shall be guilty of an offence under the Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997 (“the Regulation Order”) and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale (£1,000), in accordance with the Road Traffic Offenders (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 as amended by the Regulation Order.

Traffic signs indicating the effect of the Order will in due course be placed on the road.