

**2013 No. 99**

**ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES**

**The Traffic Weight Restriction (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2013**

*Made* - - - - *8th April 2013*

*Coming into operation* - *29th April 2013*

The Department for Regional Development<sup>(a)</sup> makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 4(1) and (2) 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.

Six objections have been received and subsequently withdrawn and no other representations have been received.

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as The Traffic Weight Restriction (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2013 and shall come into operation on 29th April 2013.

**Amendment**

2. The Traffic Weight Restriction Order (Northern Ireland) 2004<sup>(d)</sup> shall be amended by—

(a) the addition of the following item to Schedule 3—

“99. Old Magherafelt Road spur, Castledawson from a point 15 metres north-east of its junction with Old Magherafelt Road (stretch 1), for a distance of 45 metres in a north-easterly direction.”

(b) the substitution for Article 6 (exceptions) of the following—

“6. The prohibition in Article 2(d) shall not apply to—

(a) Curran Road, Route C558, Castledawson specified in item No. 30 of Schedule 3, in relation to a bus being used to provide a local scheduled transport service;

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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. 2004 No. 231: relevant amending Orders are S.R. 2008 No. 320 and S.R. 2012 No. 252

- (b) Part of the length of Loughview Road, Crumlin specified in item No. 40 of Schedule 3, namely that part of the road's junction with Ballyginniff Road, in relation to vehicles crossing directly from Ballyginniff Road to the shore of Lough Neagh or in the reverse direction from the shore of Lough Neagh to Ballyginniff Road; and
- (c) Old Magherafelt Road spur, Castledawson from a point 15 metres north-east of its junction with Old Magherafelt Road (stretch 1), for a distance of 45 metres in a north-easterly direction as specified in item No. 99 of Schedule 3 in relation to a bus being used to provide a local scheduled transport service.”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Regional Development on 8th April 2013

(L.S.)

*D J Millar*

A senior officer of the Department for Regional Development

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

This Order amends the Traffic Weight Restriction Order (Northern Ireland) 2004 by the addition of a length of Old Magherafelt Road spur, Castledawson to Schedule 3 of that Order. (Article 2)

The Order also amends Article 6 by providing an exception to this weight restriction for buses (Article 2).

Vehicles requiring access are excepted from the provisions of the Order.

Any person who acts in contravention 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 be placed on the road in due course.